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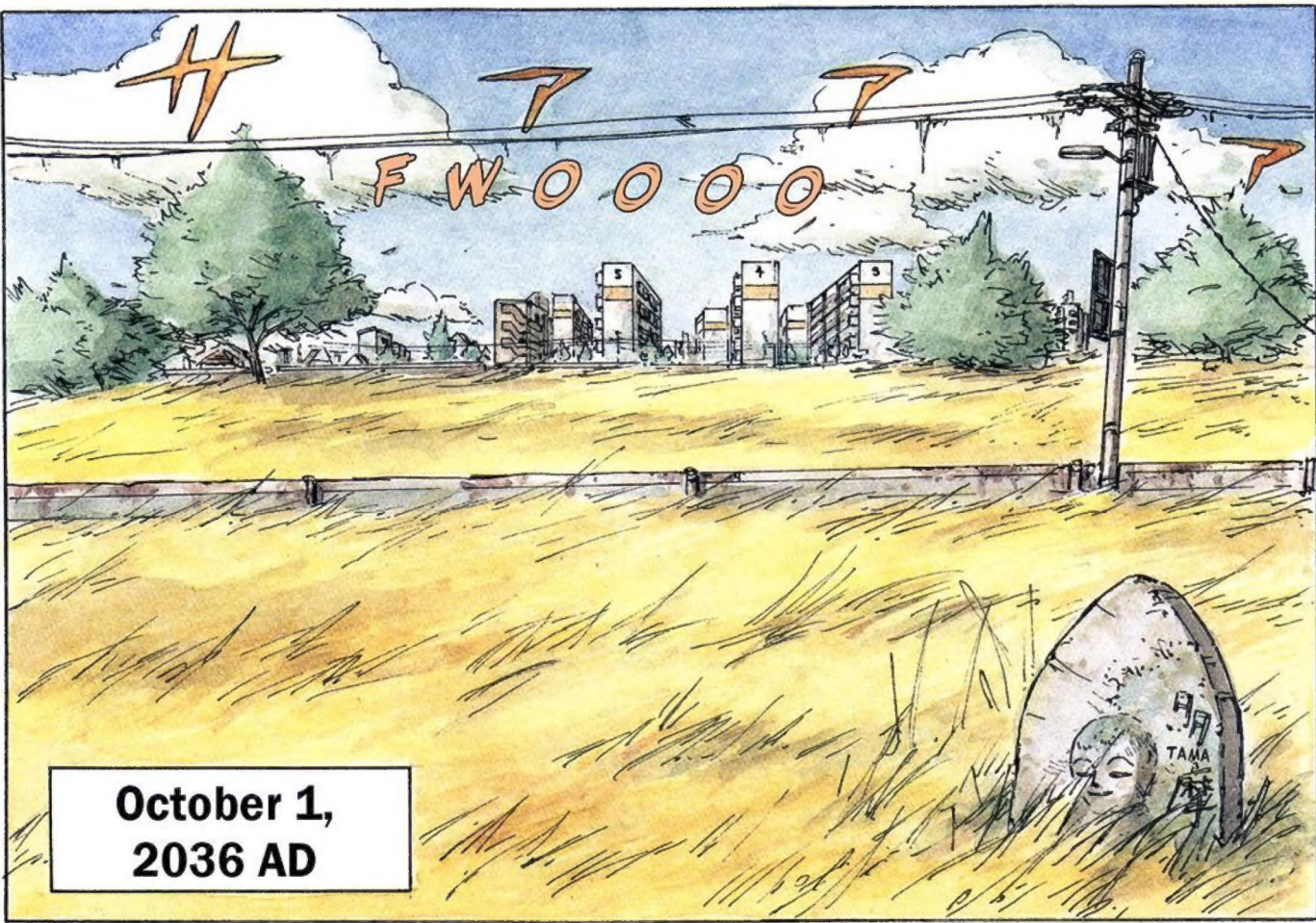
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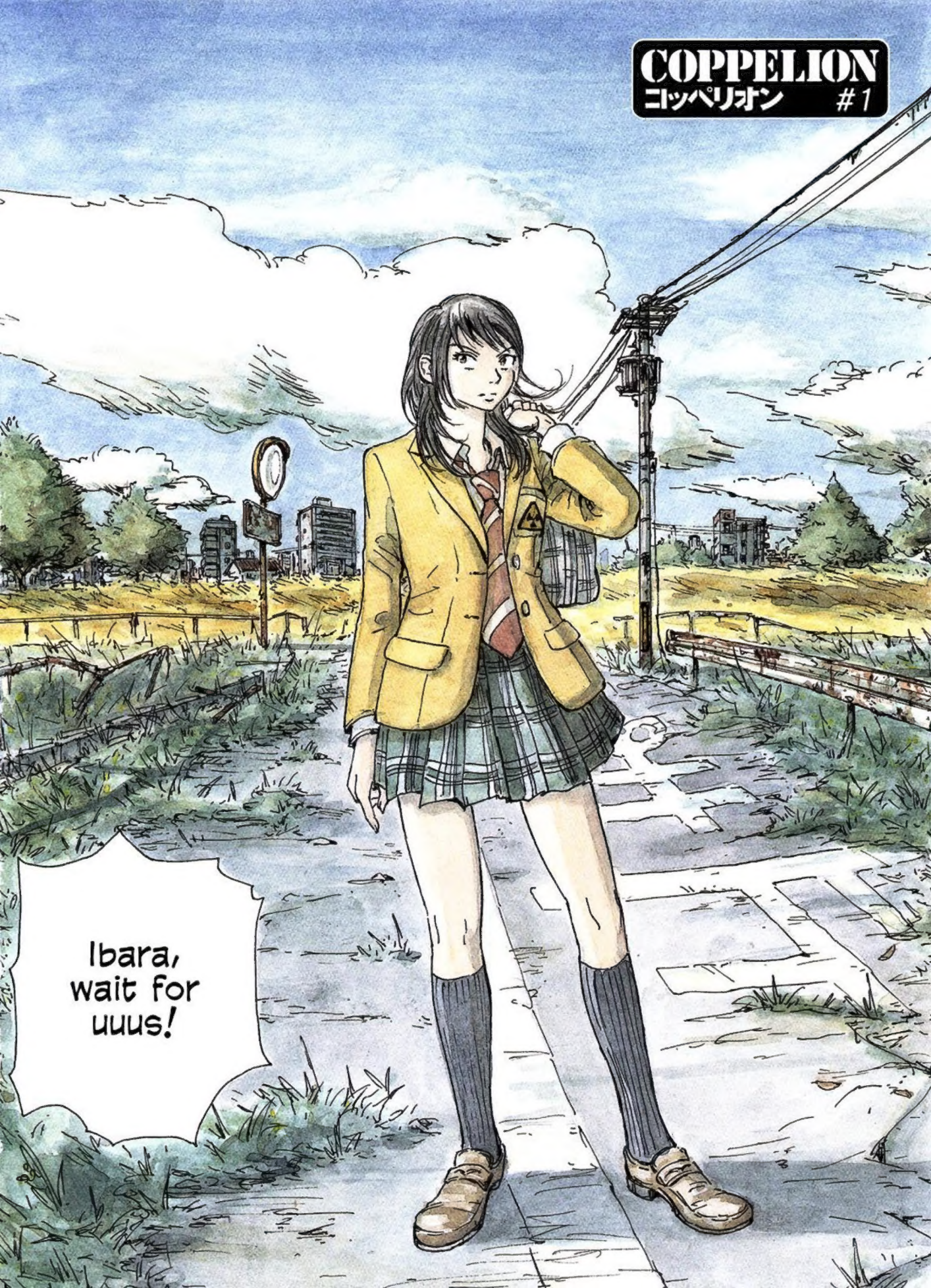
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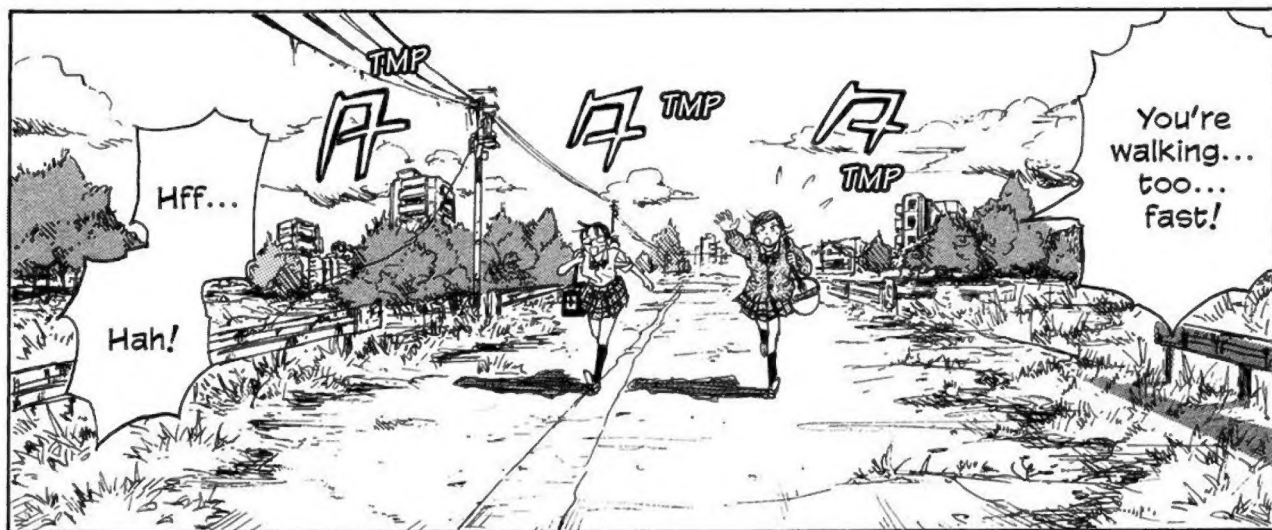
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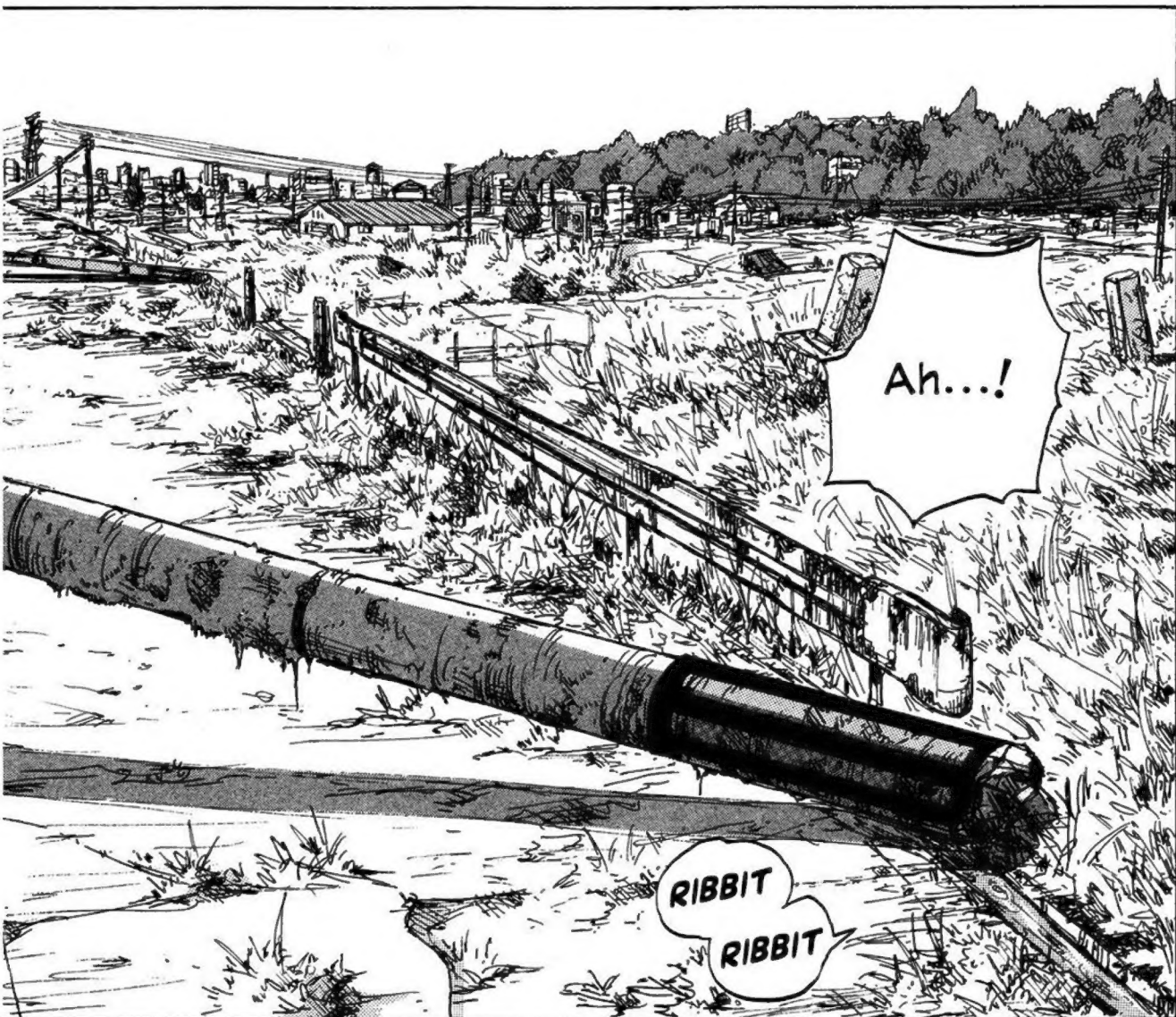
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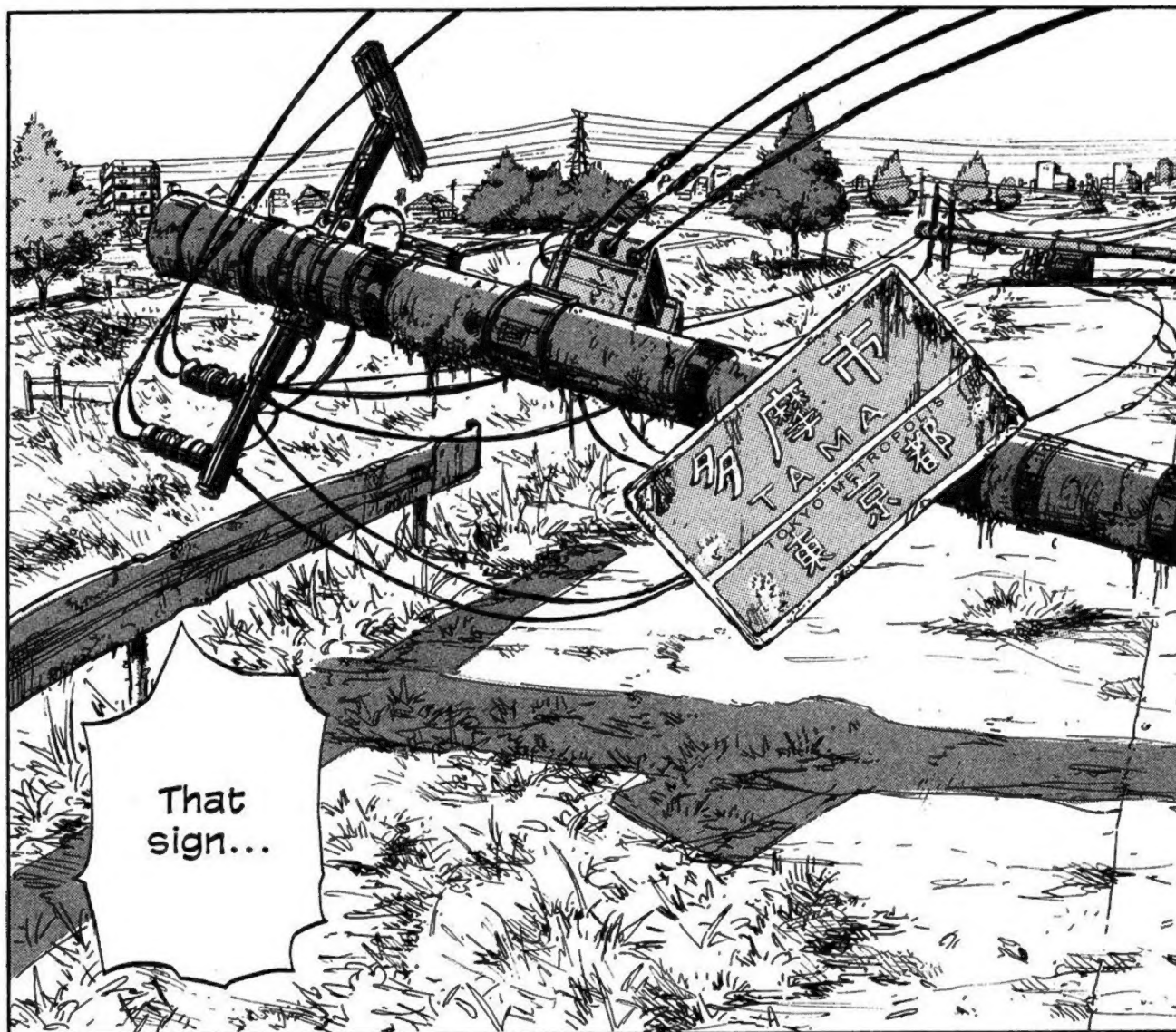




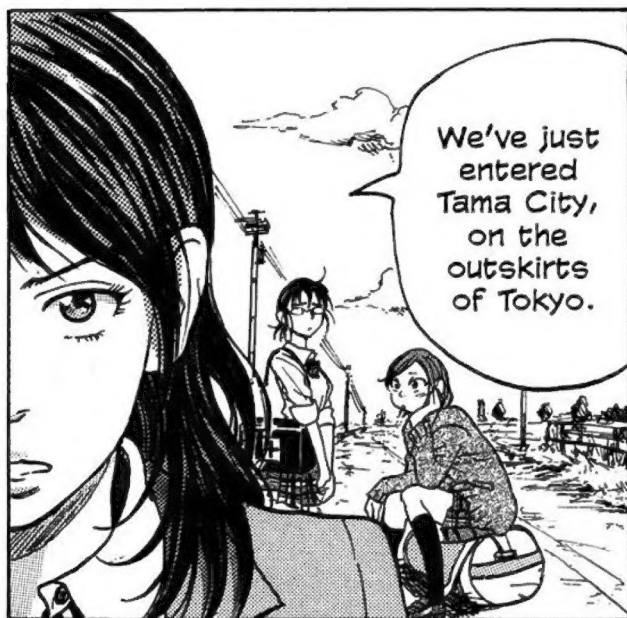
Ibara,
wait for
uus!







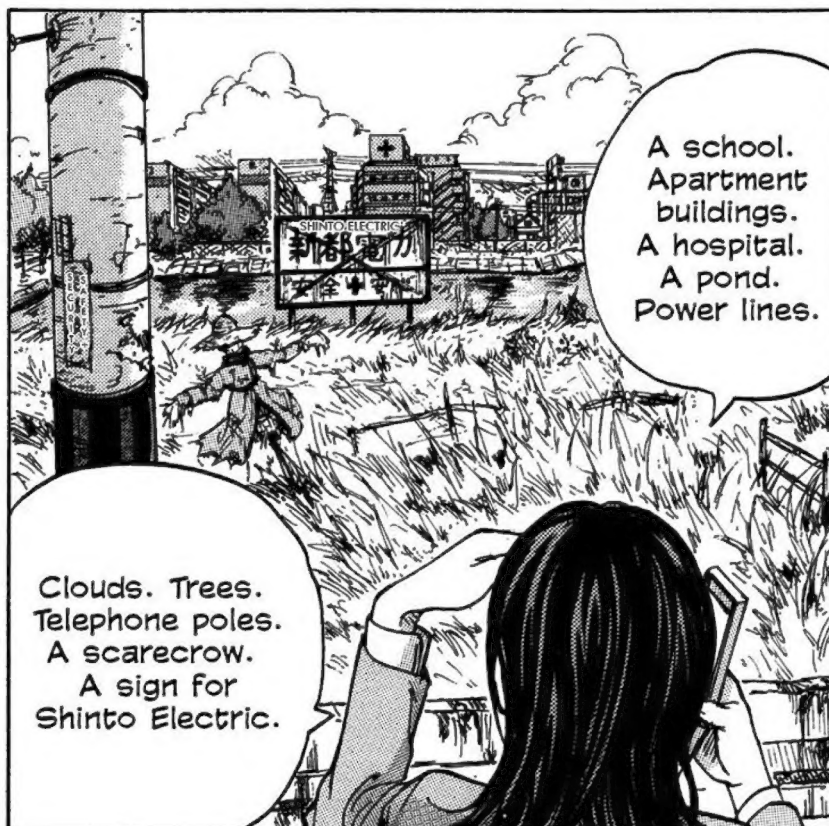




We've just entered Tama City, on the outskirts of Tokyo.



NARUSE, WHAT'S YOUR LOCATION?



A school.
Apartment buildings.
A hospital.
A pond.
Power lines.

Clouds. Trees.
Telephone poles.
A scarecrow.
A sign for Shinto Electric.



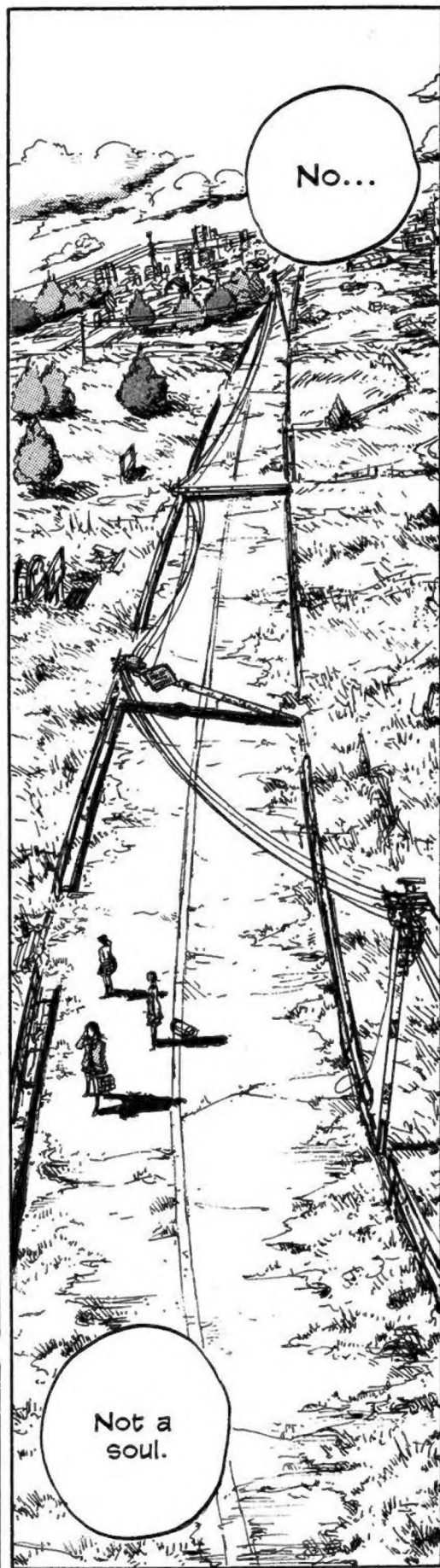
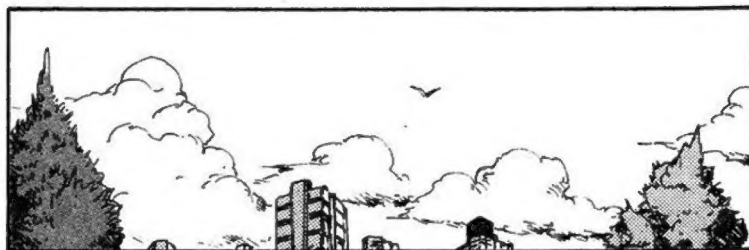
GOOD.

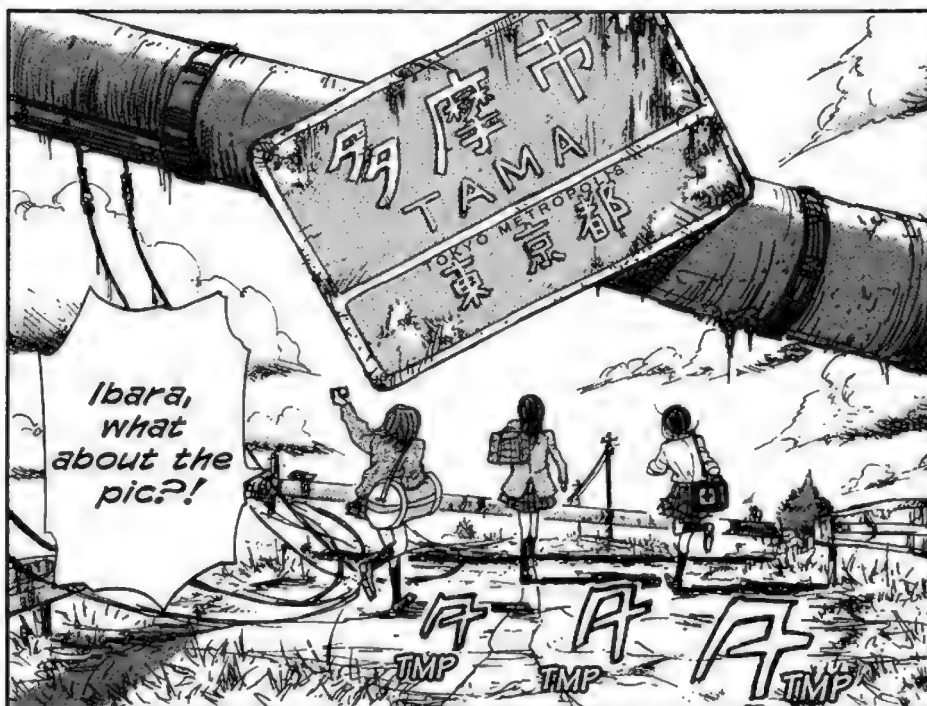
WHAT DO YOU SEE?

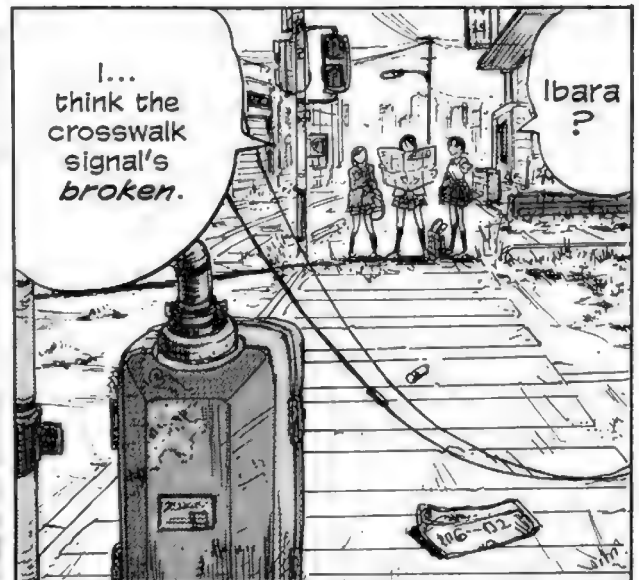
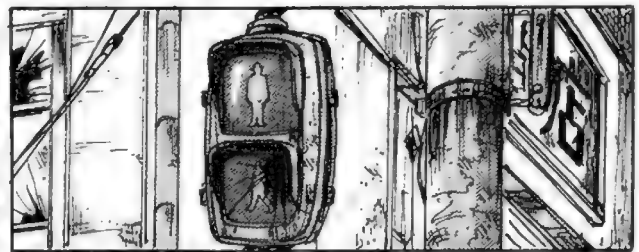


ARE THERE ANY PEOPLE NEARBY?

COPY THAT.



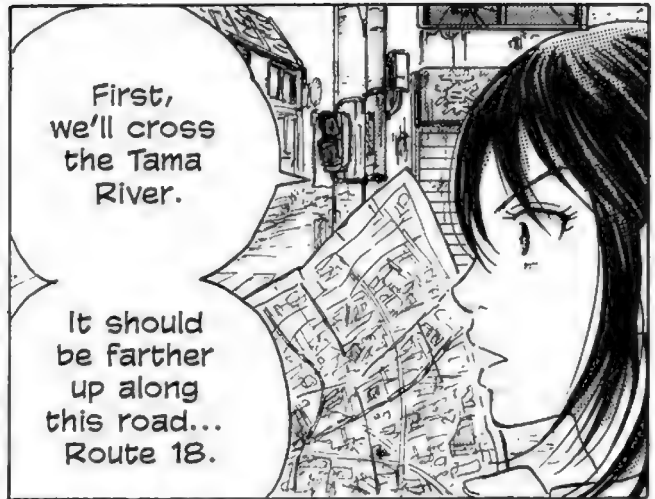






You can't get a good feel for what's going on from the air...

So according to the VP somebody's gotta investigate from down here.



First, we'll cross the Tama River.

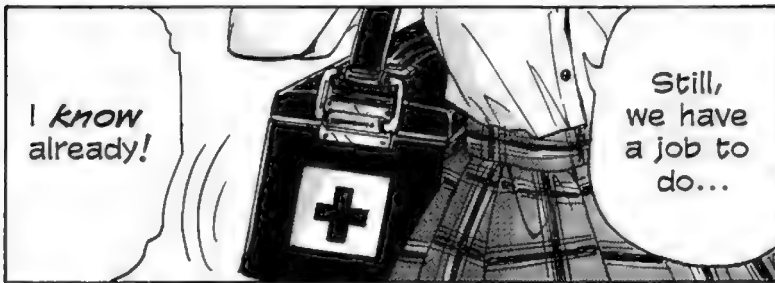
It should be farther up along this road... Route 18.



Yup.

Remember what we learned in school?

Wait... we're going to *walk* the *whole way*? But this city's so *huge*!



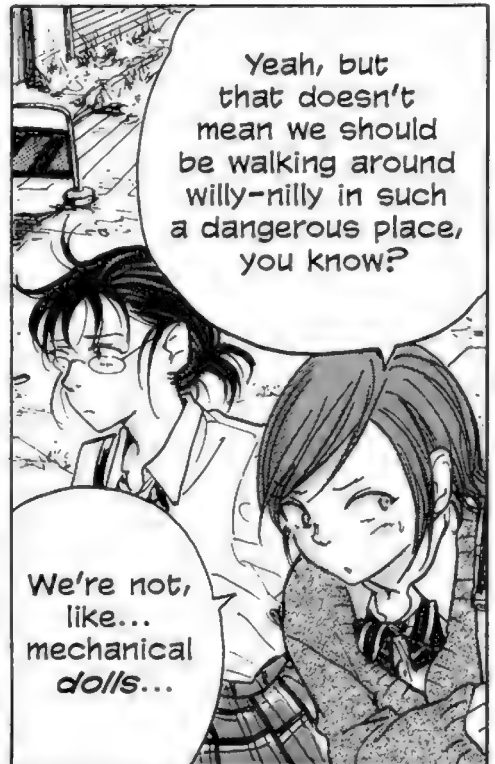
I *know* already!

Still, we have a job to do...



Survivors? Really...?

But d'you think there *are* any...?



Yeah, but that doesn't mean we should be walking around willy-nilly in such a dangerous place, you know?

We're not, like... mechanical dolls...



It's our
job to
find 'em.



Who
knows?



Nagayama
Station...

The
trains...



...definitely
ain't
running.





CLOP

Give it up, Aoi.

CLOP

CLOP

If we could take a train, we could get to Tokyo Station in, like... an hour, maybe?



SWISH

Mebbe there's something cold to drink?!



Ooh!

I spy a shop!



This shop is probably ...

I'm sure there's not, Aoi.



Ah...

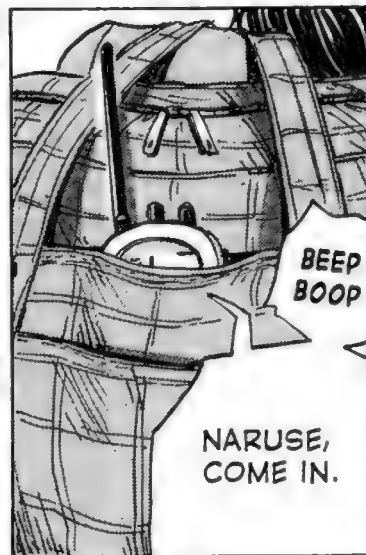


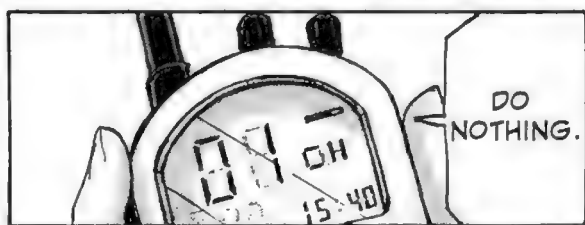
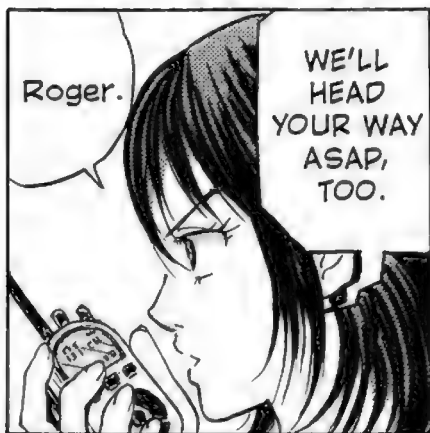
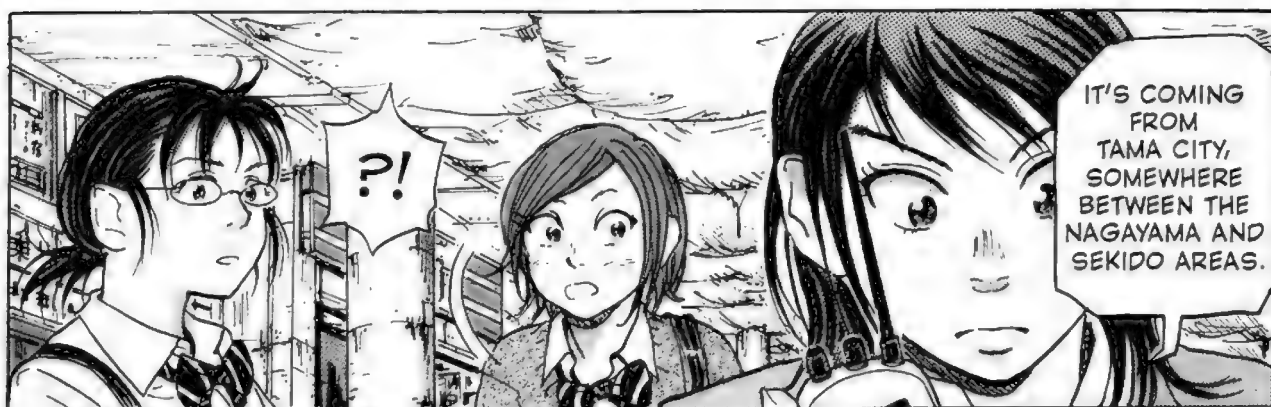
Look at this newspaper ...

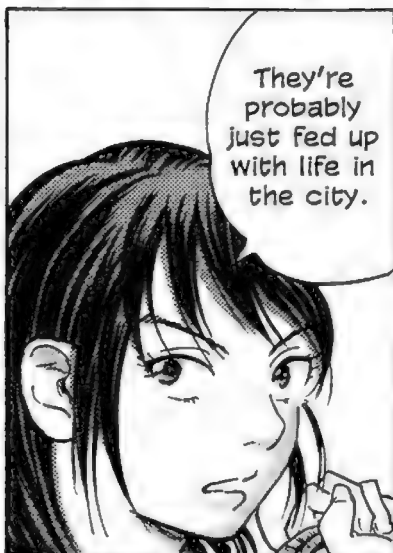
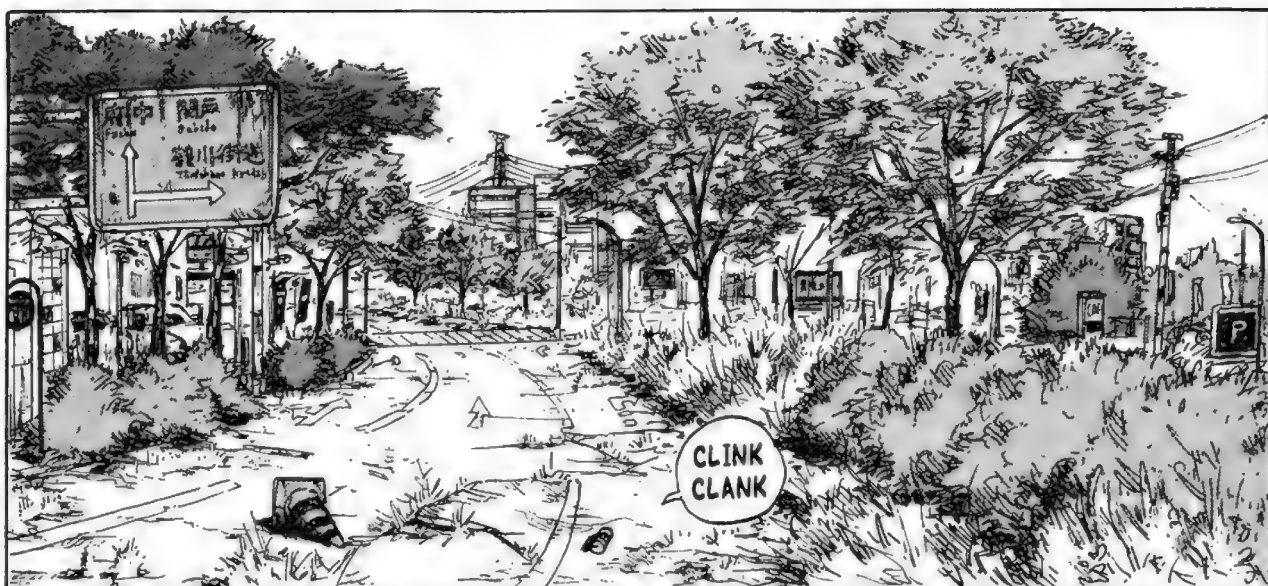


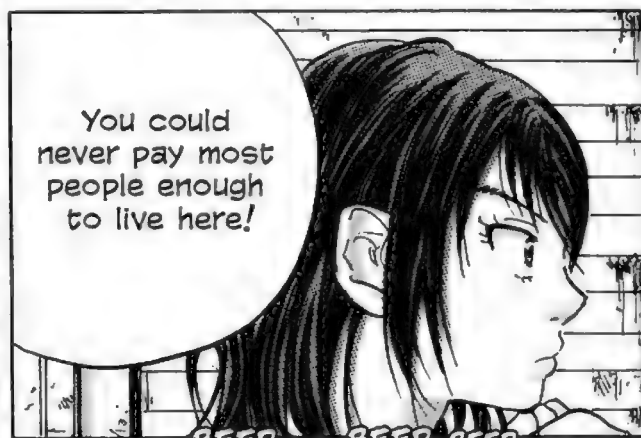
I knoooow, Taeko!

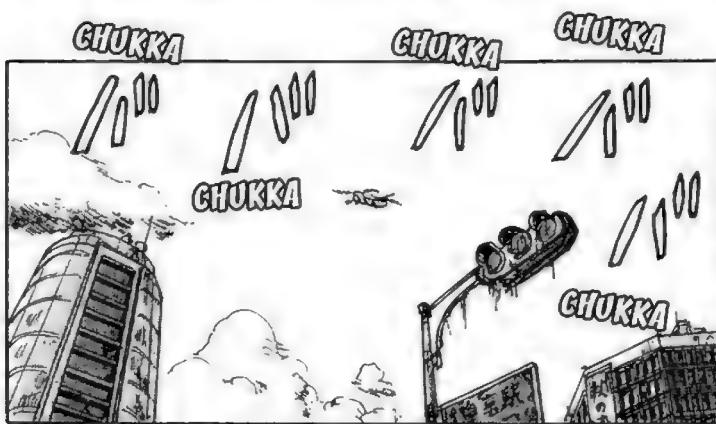
It's prolly been closed like this for the last 20 years anyways...

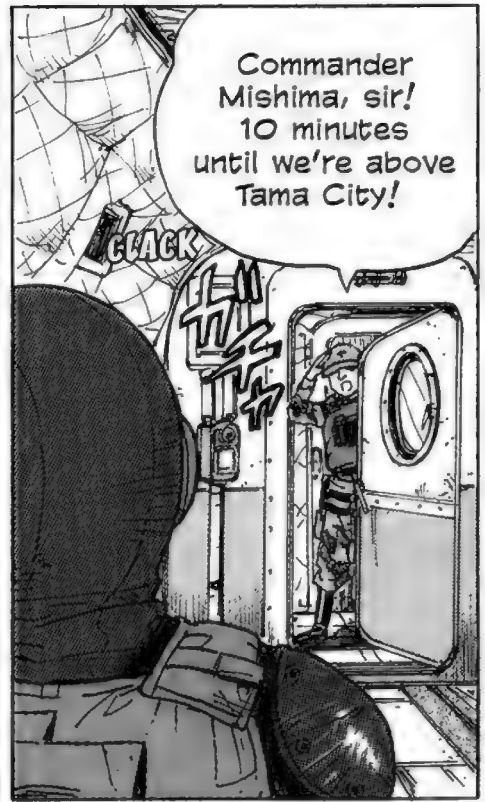
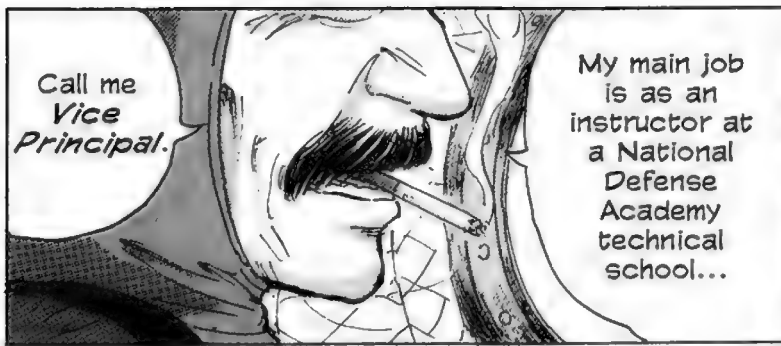














What
a huge
river!!



The
water's all
sparkly!



Ow...
This is the
Tama River,
then?



Ibara,
do you
see?!

Where'd
all your
whining go,
Aoi?

Wow,
the wind
feels so
nice...!



Yeah...
Why
not...?



Saaay,
can we take
an itty bitty
break here?

It's already
waay
past noon...!



Yay!

Definitely
a lot of
open space...
The VP's
helicopter
should be
able to
land.



Won't be
long before
the survivor
shows u—



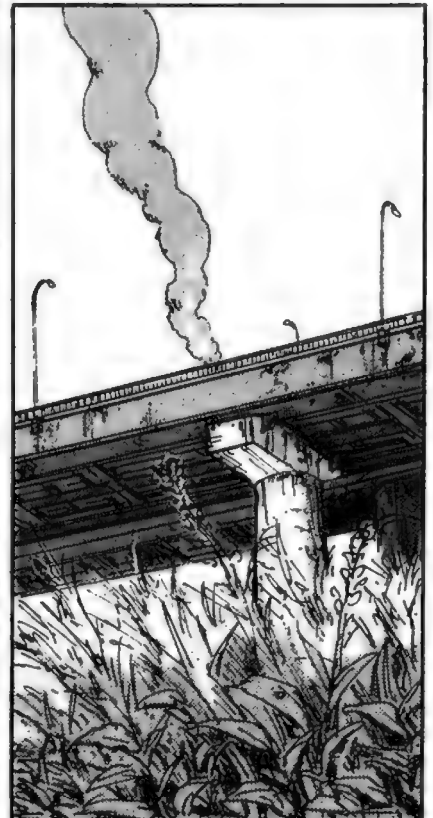
There we go!
Should be
able to see
that from 10
kilometers
away!



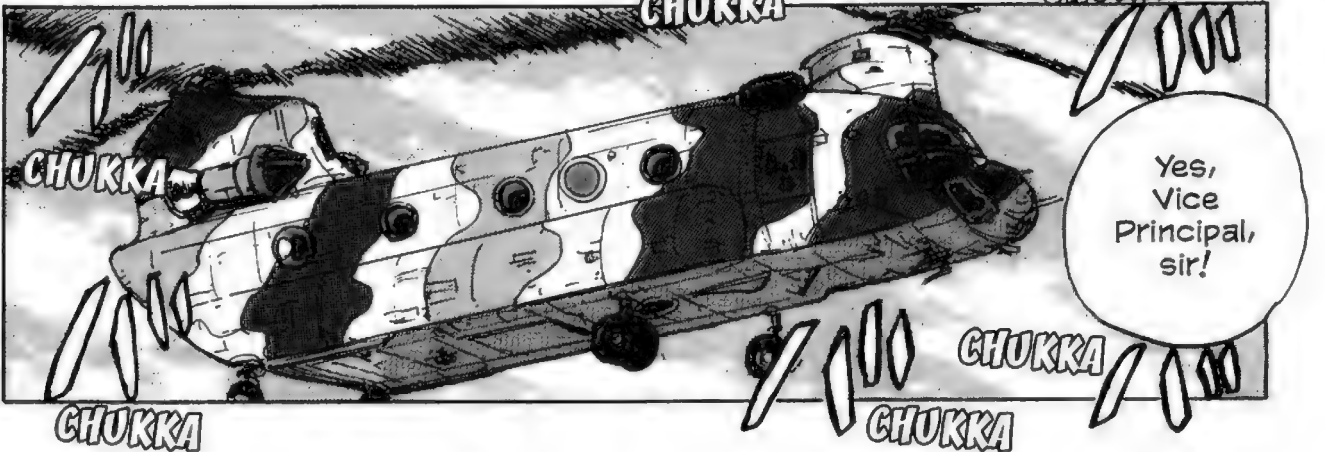
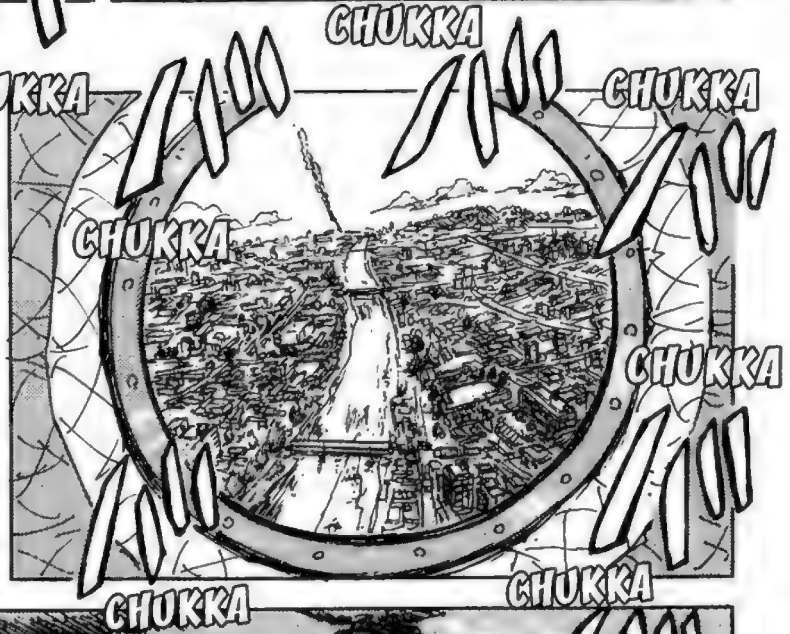
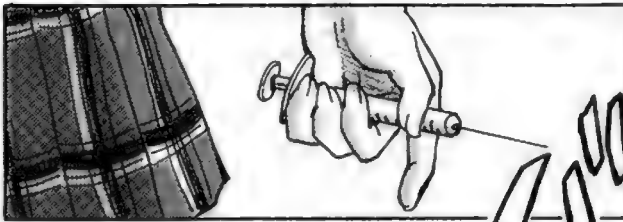
Y-You
brought
that much
food...?

GOBBLE
GOBBLE

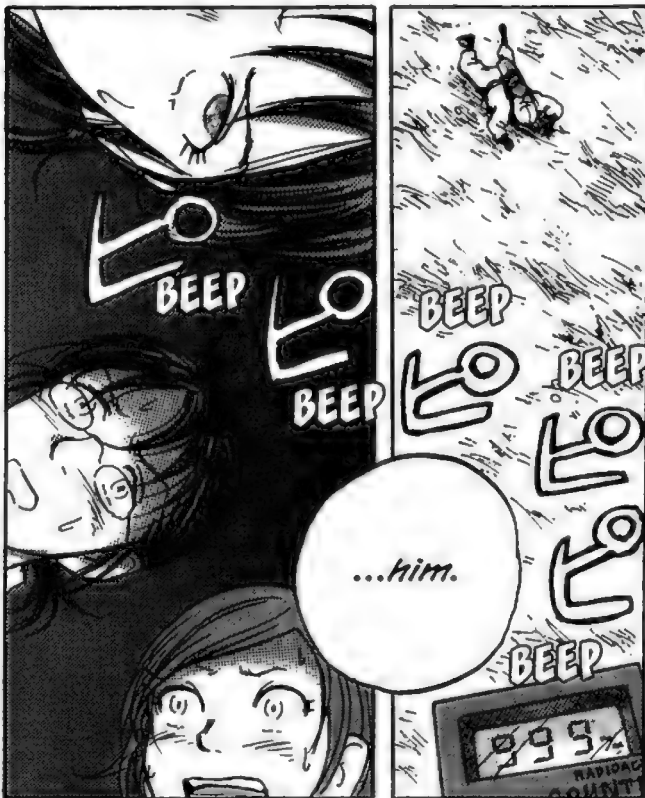
Ahhh,
this is
so good!
Totally
mouth-
watering!

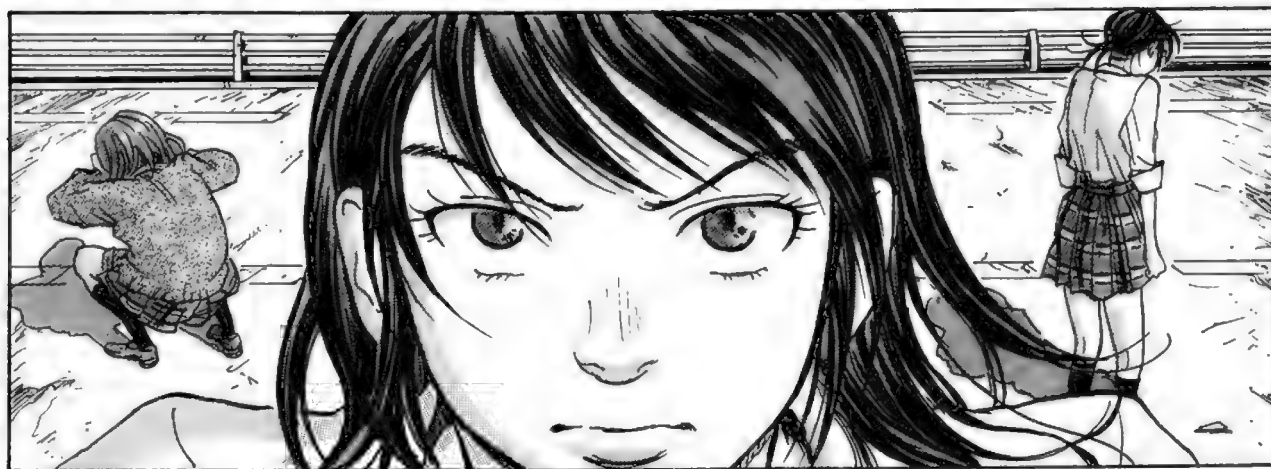


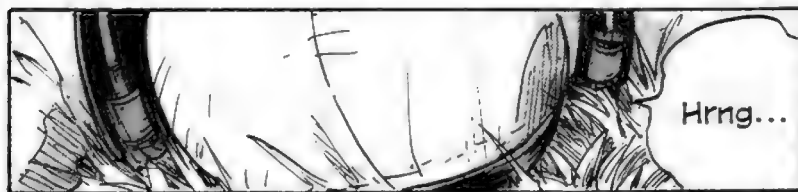


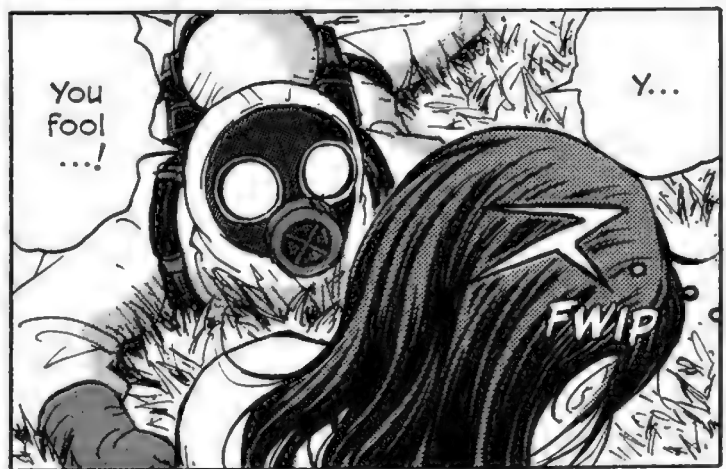
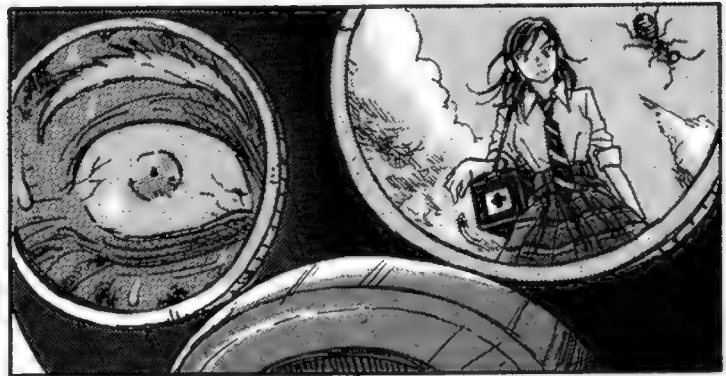
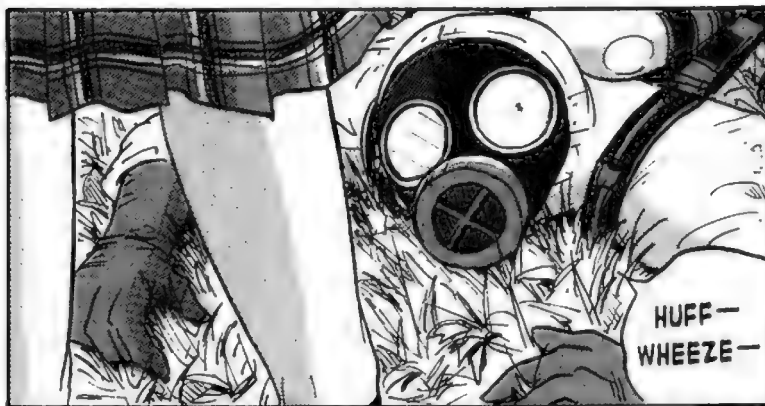
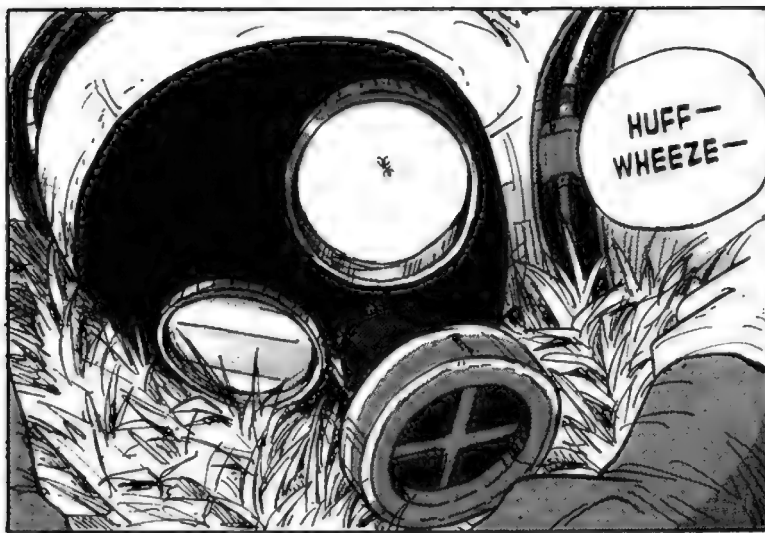




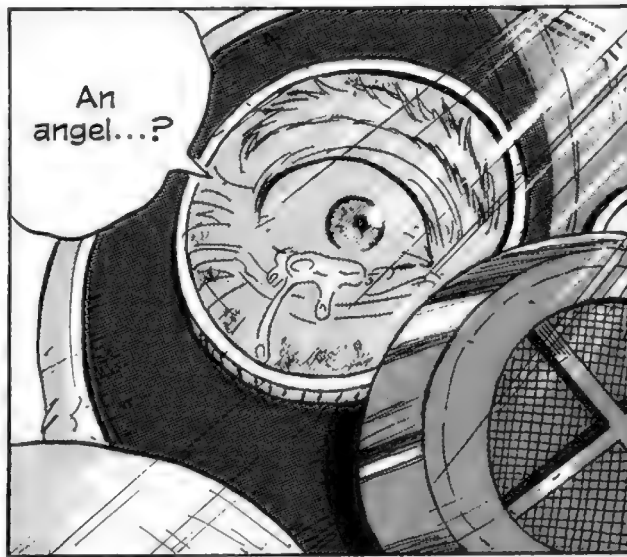
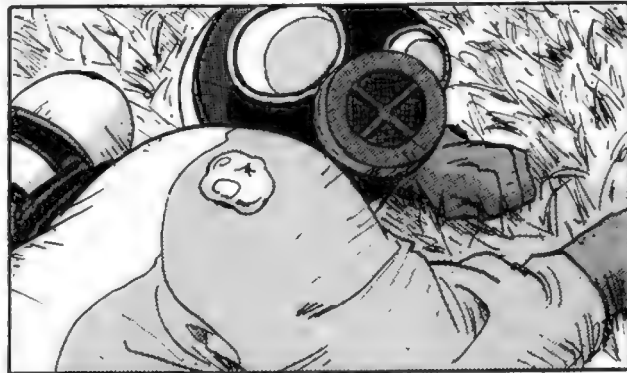
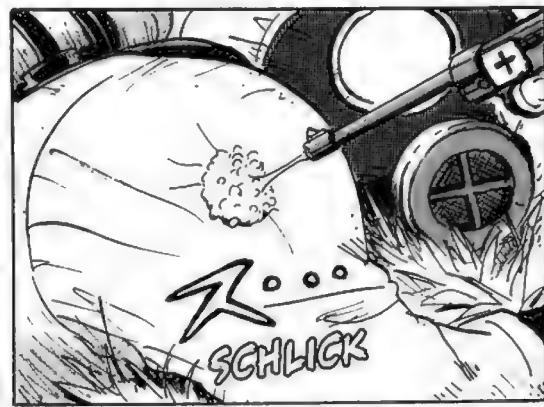
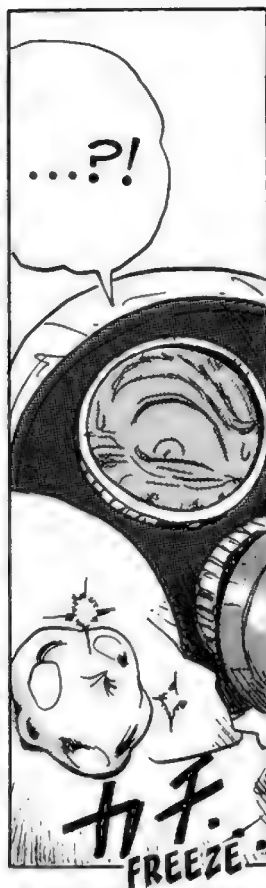


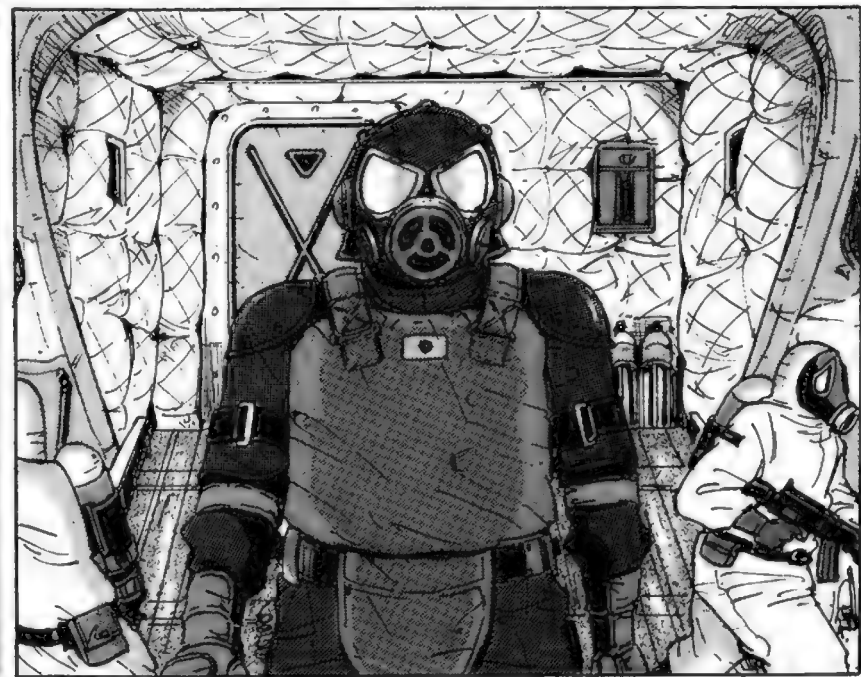
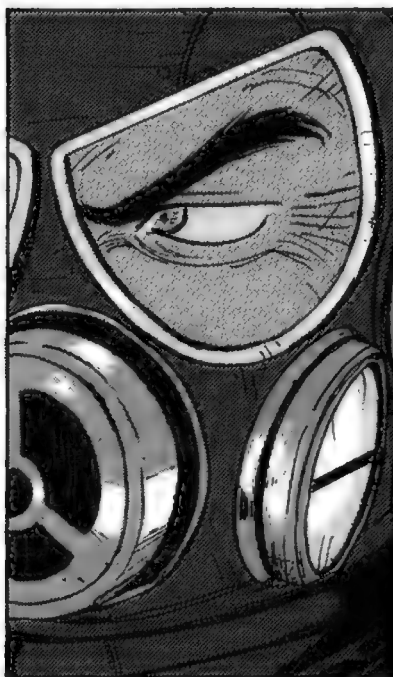
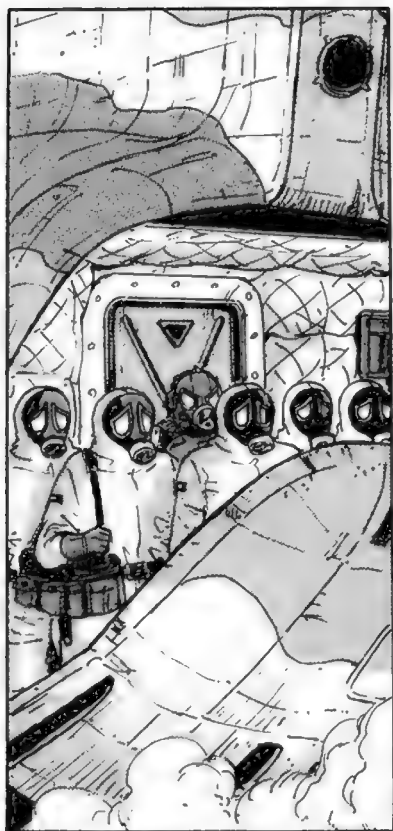




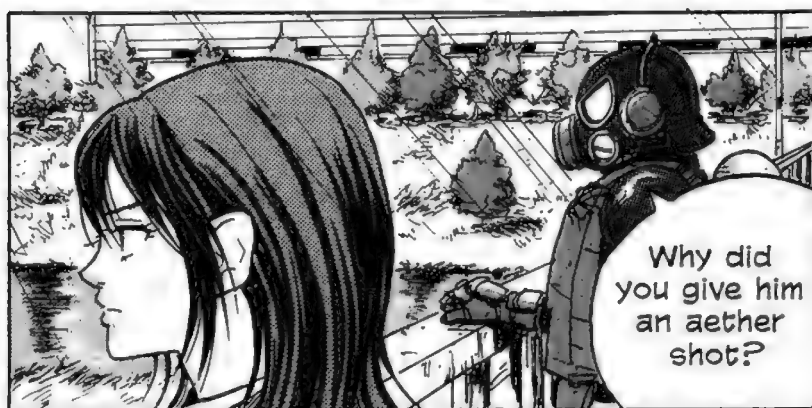




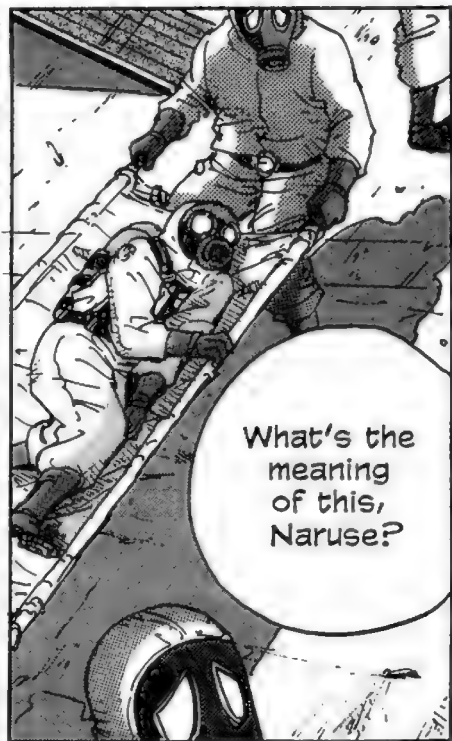








Why did
you give him
an aether
shot?



What's the
meaning
of this,
Naruse?



I *told*
you that it
exists only
in limited
quantities.

That
vaccine is
strictly for
survivors
with *minor*
symptoms.

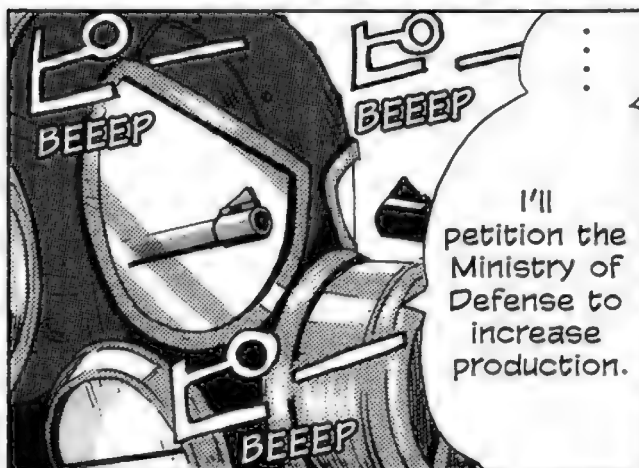


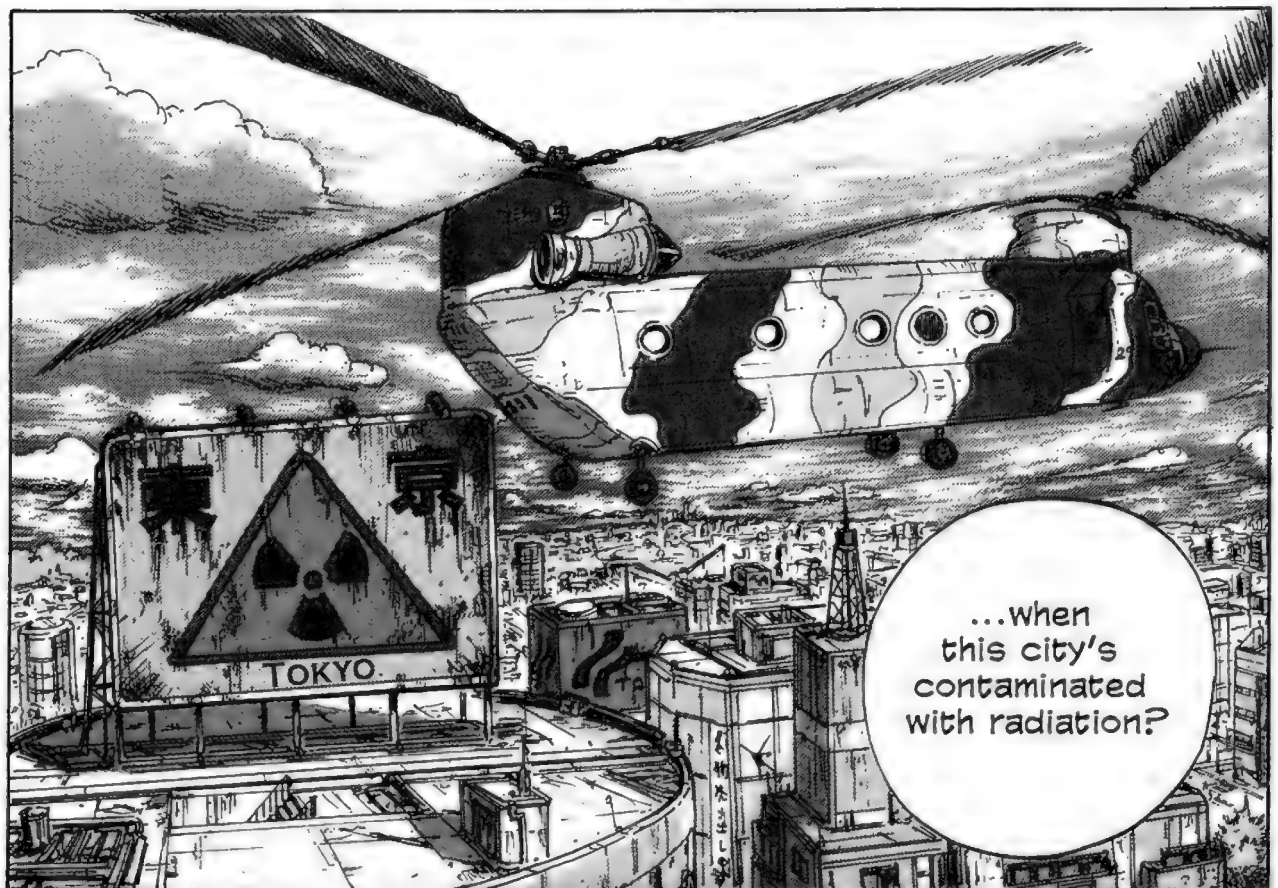
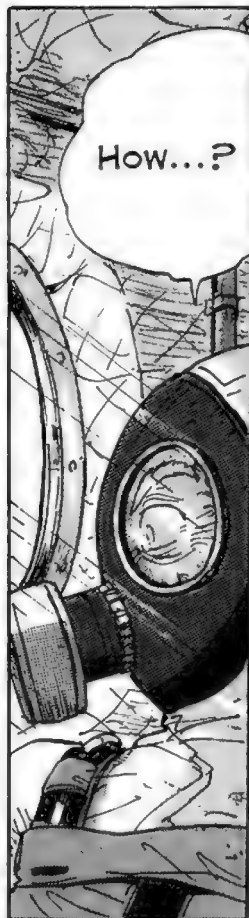
*Then
make
more
of it!
Please!*

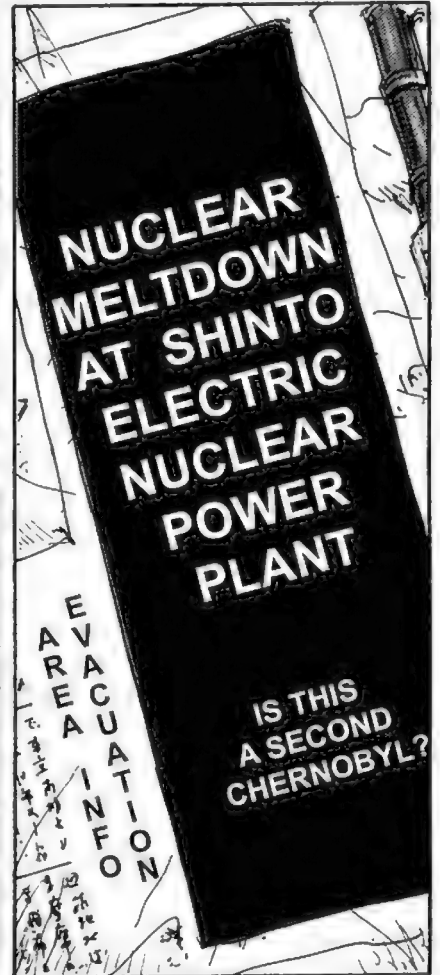
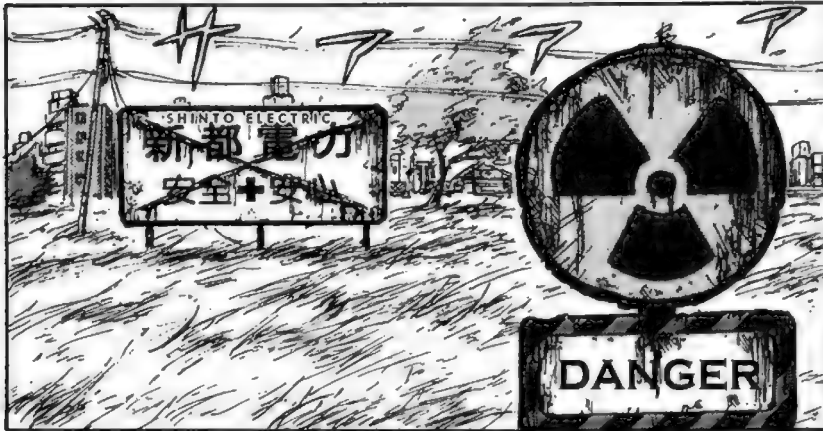
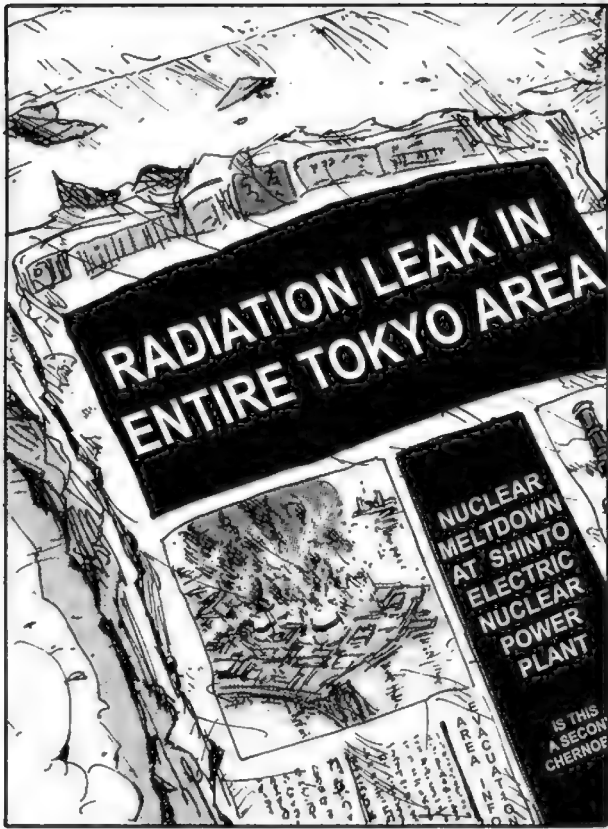


Administering
it to someone
with thyroid
cancer that
far along...

...will only
give him
temporary
relief—



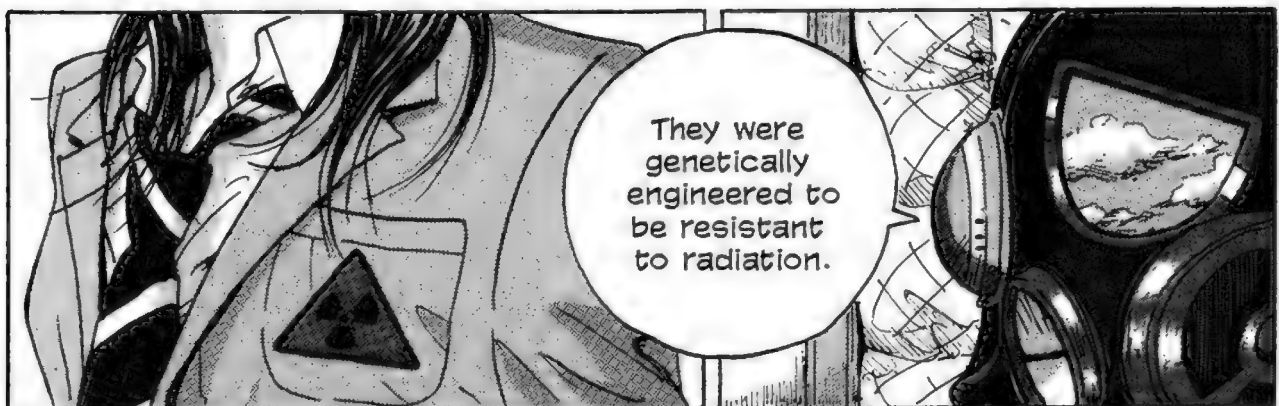






They're known as *Coppelion*.

They're part of a special unit of the Japan Ground Self-Defense Force, 3rd Division.



They were genetically engineered to be resistant to radiation.



A normal person would be *dead* from this much exposure to radiation...



What's up, you two?



Are we really dolls... *Coppelion* ...?

Are we really...



Could a doll
love stuffing
its face with
onigiri that
much?

You
goofball!



Ibara!
Wait
uuup!

Ah
...!



I'm
leavin'.



Only those
girls can go
anywhere in
Tokyo...

...the largest
ghost town in
the world.

#1 END

FOOOOM

WHAT A
TERRIBLE
SIGHT!

CITIZENS
OF
JAPAN...
LOOK!



TOKYO'S
ODAIBA
ISLAND IS
ENGULFED
IN A SEA
OF FLAME!

COPPELION
コッペリオン #2



SINCE
OCTOBER
2ND,
2016?

CHOMP

Oh!
Good
morning,
Ibara!

What's
up, Aoi?
Satellite
TV?

WHAT HAVE
WE LEARNED
SINCE THAT
TRAGIC DAY?

Want a
rice ball?
I've got
salmon,
roe,
chicken...

Hey,
where's
Taeko?

AND SO,
WE NOW
INTERRUPT
OUR
REGULAR
BROADCAST
FOR A
SPECIAL
PROGRAM.

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TODAY MARKS
EXACTLY 20
YEARS SINCE
THE MELTDOWN
AT SHINTO
ELECTRIC'S
DAIBA NUCLEAR
POWER PLANT.

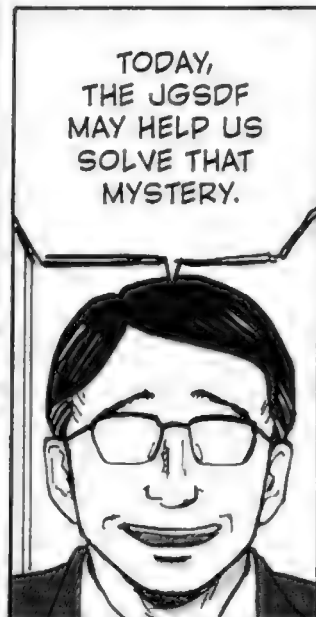
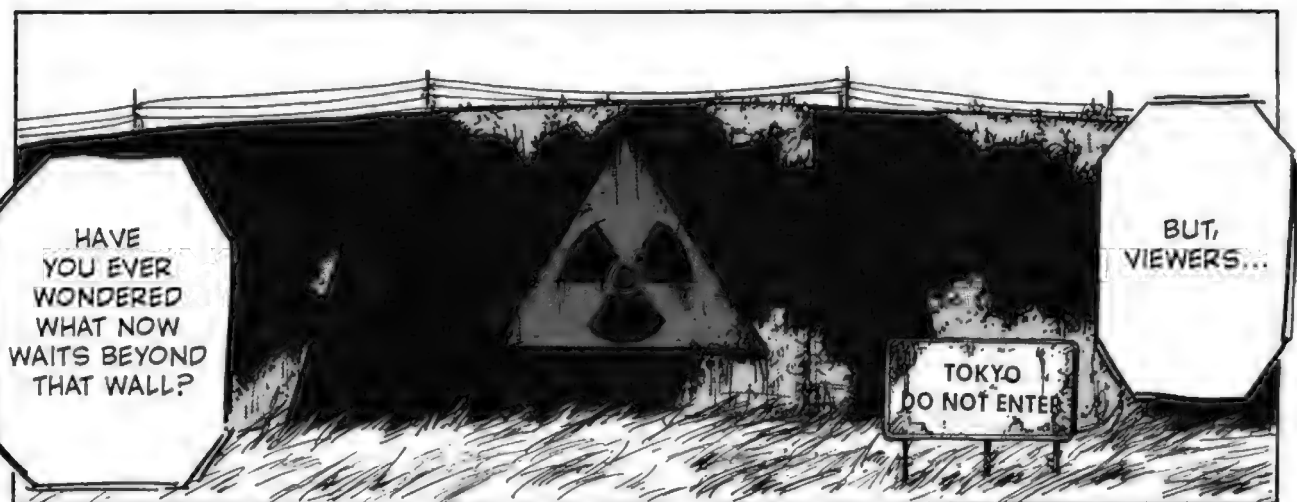
Out on a
walk.

OMG

INDUSTRY
AND THE
ECONOMY
SUFFERED
A HUGE
BLOW AS
A RESULT.

THE RADIATION
RELEASED
BY THE
MELTDOWN
SPREAD
ACROSS
NORTHEAST
JAPAN VIA
THE WESTERLY
WINDS.





LIVE
IN TOKYO

FWUP

FWUP

FWUP

BROADCASTING LIVE
FROM TOKYO,
THE CITY OF DEATH!

FWUP

FWUP

VIEWERS...

WE PRESENT
THE FORMER
CAPITAL...
TOKYO!

FWUP

FWUP

...AND
BROADCAST
LIVE THROUGH
OUR STATION
IN KYOTO.

VRR

WHAT YOU
SEE NOW IS
VIDEO SHOT
FROM A
JGSD
HELICOPTER...



BUT TODAY,
WE'LL
FINALLY
CATCH A
GLIMPSE
INSIDE THE
CITY OF
DEATH...

...AFTER
THIS
COM-
MERCIAL
BREAK!



...AND PUBLIC
ENTRY IS
RESTRICTED BY
GOVERNMENT
ORDER.

AS WE
ALL KNOW,
TOKYO IS STILL
CONTAMINATED
WITH HIGH
LEVELS OF
RADIATION...



Let them
see as much
as they
want.



You sure
we should
show this
to the
public?

VP...



This was
authorized
because of
the public's
own
demands.



LISTEN UP,
ALL YOU
COURA-
GEOUS
YOUNG
FELLOWS!

HEY!





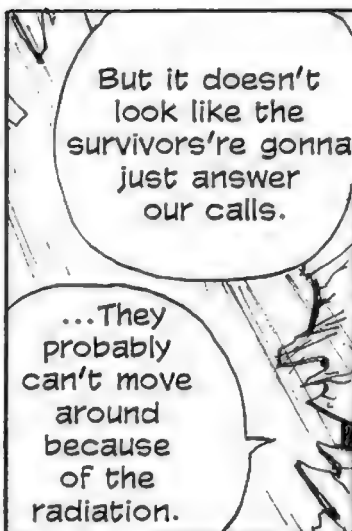




We'll use the *Geiger counter*.



Then... how will we *find* them?



But it doesn't look like the survivors're gonna just answer our calls.

...They probably can't move around because of the radiation.



The SOS signals're concentrated here in Fuchu.



BEEP

BEEP

BEEP

Calm down.



CLICK

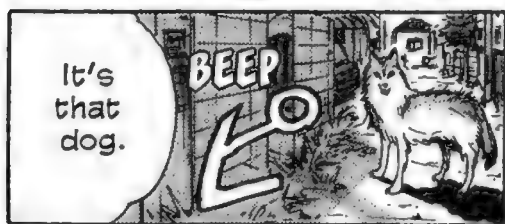


BEEP BEEP

?!

BEEP

BEEP



It's that dog.

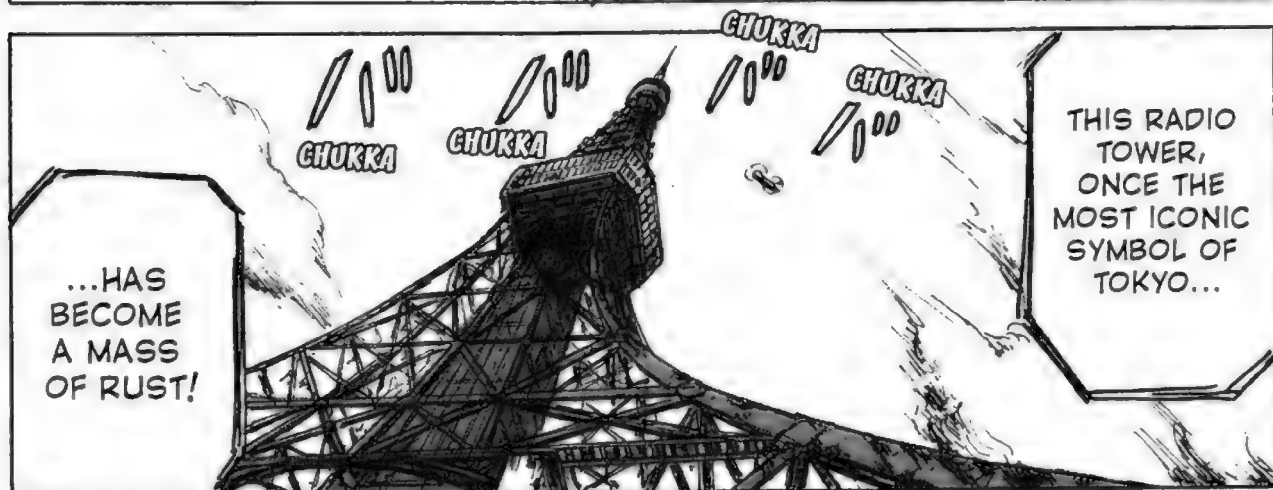
BEEP



The same goes for *people*.

...the reading on the counter should go up.

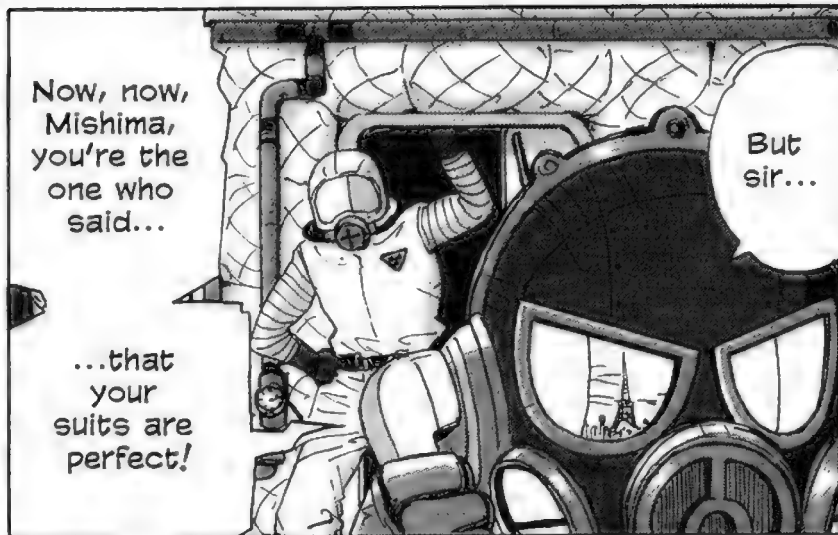
If an animal that's been exposed to a lot of radiation is nearby...





The station wants an interview.

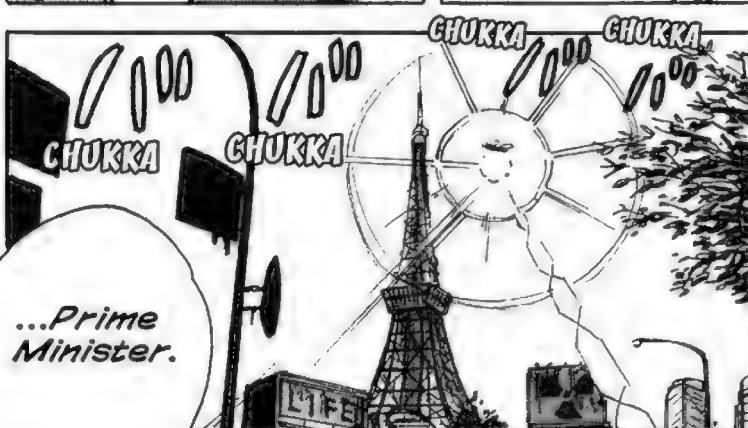
VP.



Now, now, Mishima, you're the one who said...

...that your suits are perfect!

But sir...



...Prime Minister.



Understood.

We'll speak later...

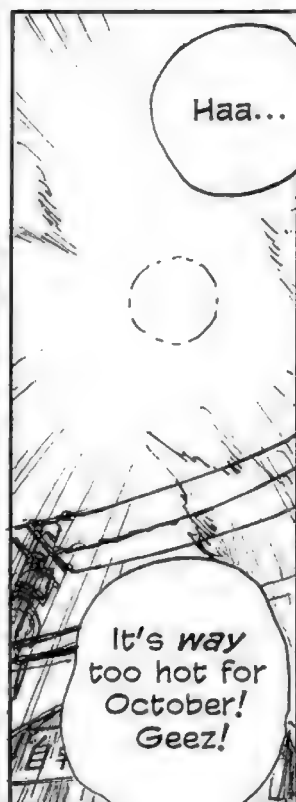


Let's get a car already! It's, like, a basic human need!

Do we have to walk all day again?!



All the cars here are oldies from 20 years ago, y'know?



Haa...

It's way too hot for October! Geez!

PLEASE,
TELL US
ABOUT
YOURSELF.

Then we'll ask
the Vice Principal
to bring us a
shiny new one!
With a
built-in shower
and a *fridge*!

Start the
engine and
kaboom!

I'LL BE
YOUR GUIDE
THROUGH
TOKYO
TODAY.

I AM COLONEL
ONIHEI MISHIMA,
VICE PRINCIPAL
OF THE JGSD
3RD DIVISION'S
TECHNICAL
SCHOOL.

Look,
it's—

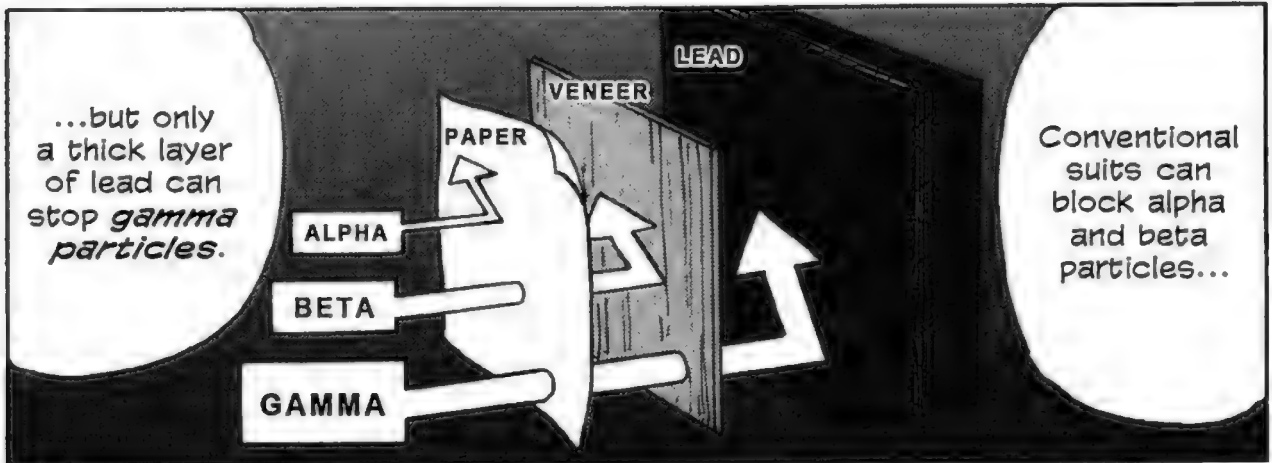
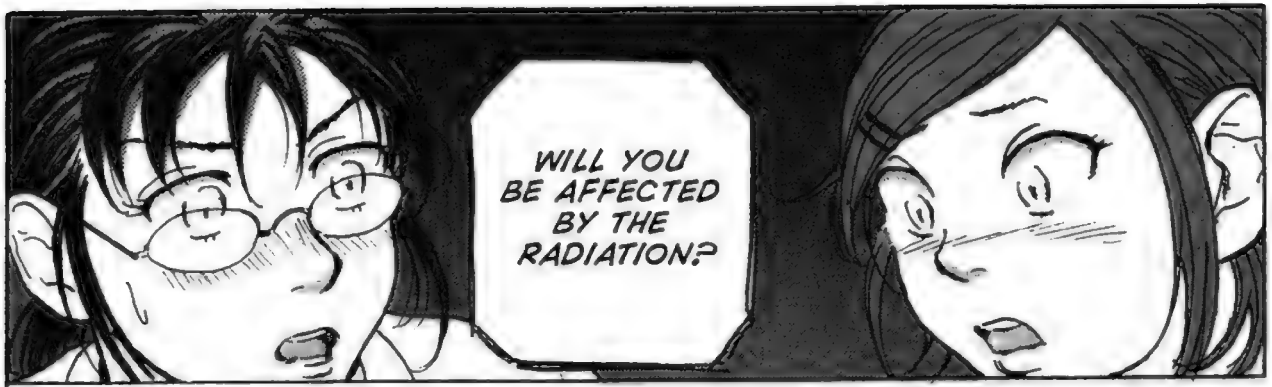
Ah!

OUR BIGGEST
CONCERN,
OF COURSE,
IS THE SAFETY
OF THE JGSD
CREW MEMBERS.

VICE
PRINCIPAL
MISHIMA...

Omigosh!
He'll be,
like, an
overnight
celeb!
Whoo!!

Eek!!
Our very
own vice
principal's
on TV!

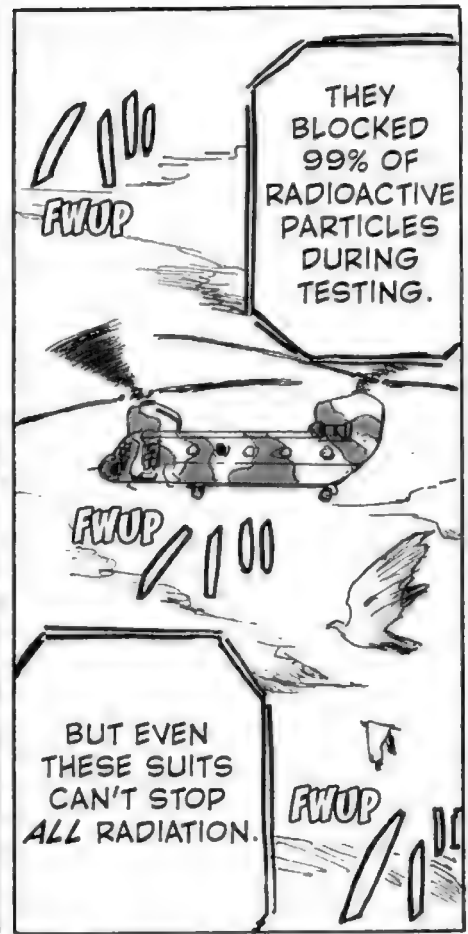




That's why we carry timers, and withdraw before a certain time limit.



As long as we're in the sky, where there's little radiation, we can carry out long operations.



THEY BLOCKED 99% OF RADIOACTIVE PARTICLES DURING TESTING.

BUT EVEN THESE SUITS CAN'T STOP ALL RADIATION.



That's enough.

That's got nothing to do with us.



...and we have to pull out right away.

But if we land, the alarms will sound after about 30 minutes...



TRULY, A DANGEROUS JOB.

SO THAT'S HOW IT WORKS ...



VP, put
on your
helmet!



Let's
move.

Turn
it off,
Taeko.



THANK YOU
FOR THIS
PRECIOUS
FOOTAGE.

VP
MISHI-
MA...



No.



THIS
CONCLUDES
OUR—



What
?!

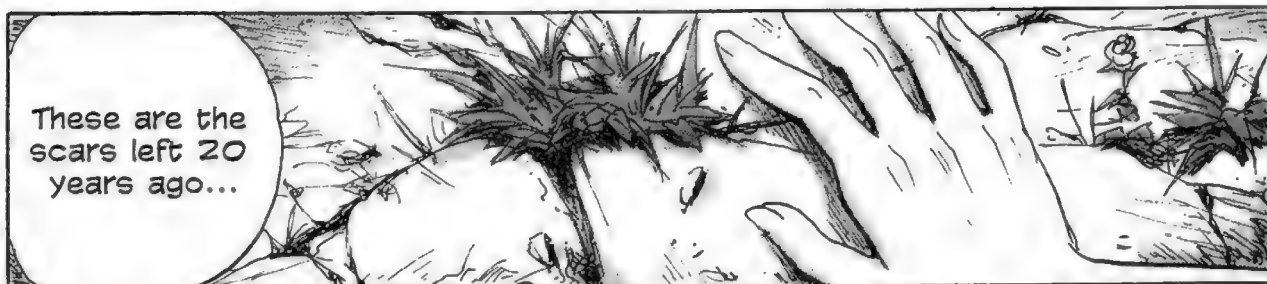






The hotel's falling over.?!

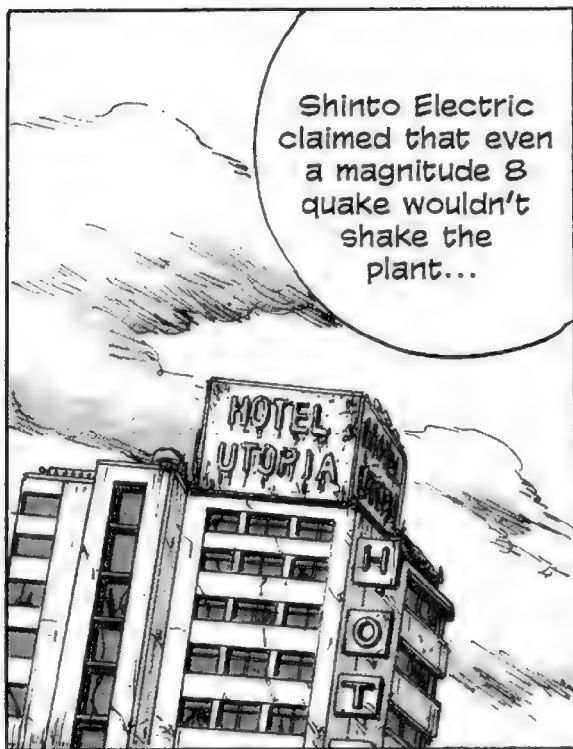
No way!



These are the scars left 20 years ago...



...by the massive earthquake that struck Tokyo.



Shinto Electric claimed that even a magnitude 8 quake wouldn't shake the plant...



...which led to the melt-down.

If I remember correctly, the earthquake damaged the nuclear plant's emergency core cooling system...

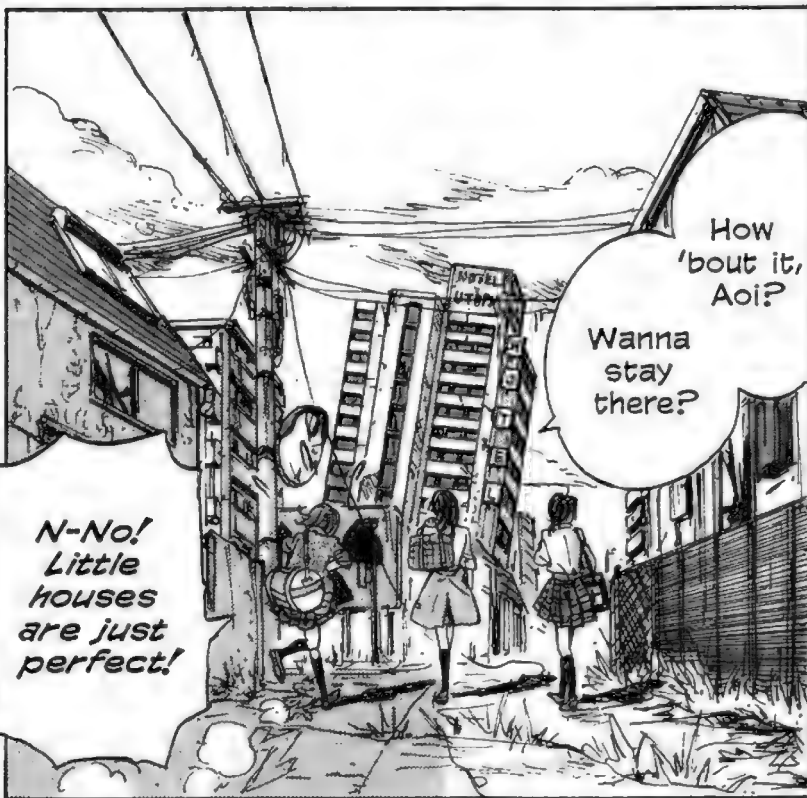


That's what they taught us in school.

Yup.



...and *this* is what happened.



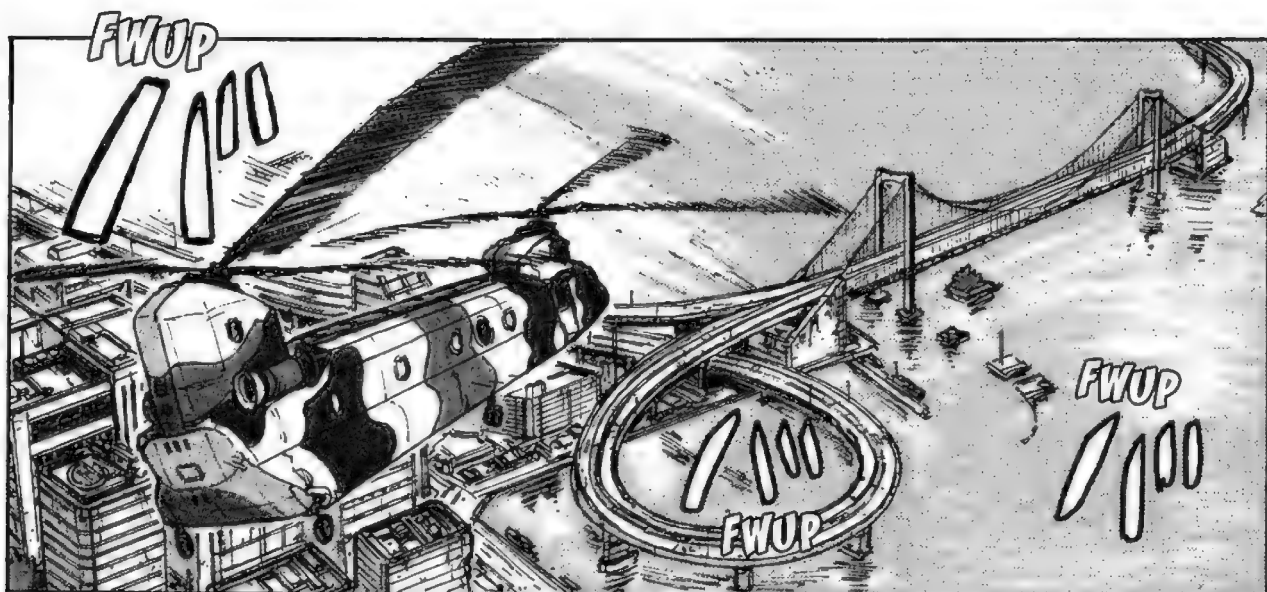
N-No! Little houses are just perfect!

How 'bout it, Aoi?
Wanna stay there?



Be careful.

Any of these damaged buildings could come down at any moment.



Can't even
see past
the Rainbow
Bridge.

There's
so much
fog...

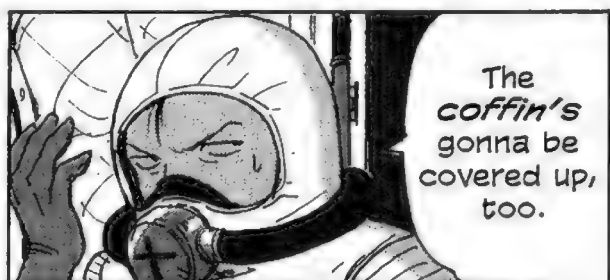


We're
approaching
Odaiba,
VP.



Don't say
I didn't
warn you!

If they
take us
off the
air...



The
coffin's
gonna be
covered up,
too.



Connect
us to the
station.

lbuse.

IT SEEMS THE
JGSDF WILL
SOON REACH
THE NUCLEAR
POWER PLANT
IN THE
MINATO WARD,
ODAIBA.

ネット

THIS IS
NEWS
PLANET.

The area
around the
plant is
covered by
a thick fog
during the
daylight.

HOW
DOES IT
LOOK?

VICE
PRINCIPAL
MISHIMA
...

There are
still high
levels of
radiation
at the
plant?

So...

TICK

TICK

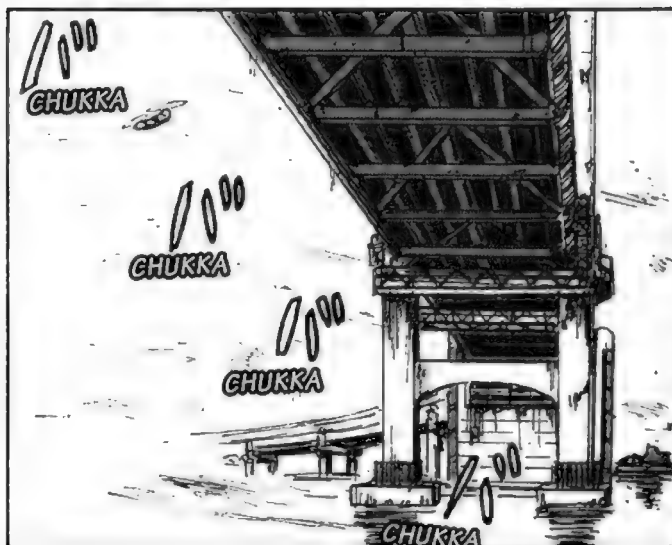
It looks
like fog
because the
sea breeze
picks the
particles up.

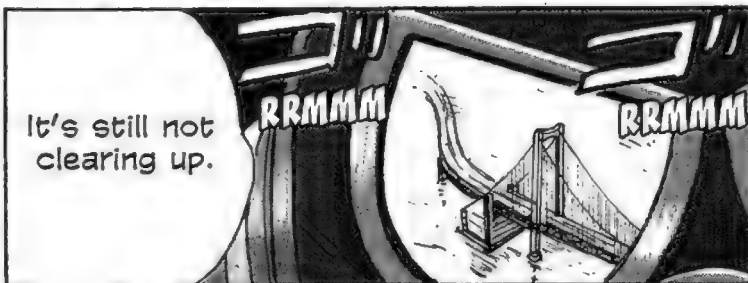
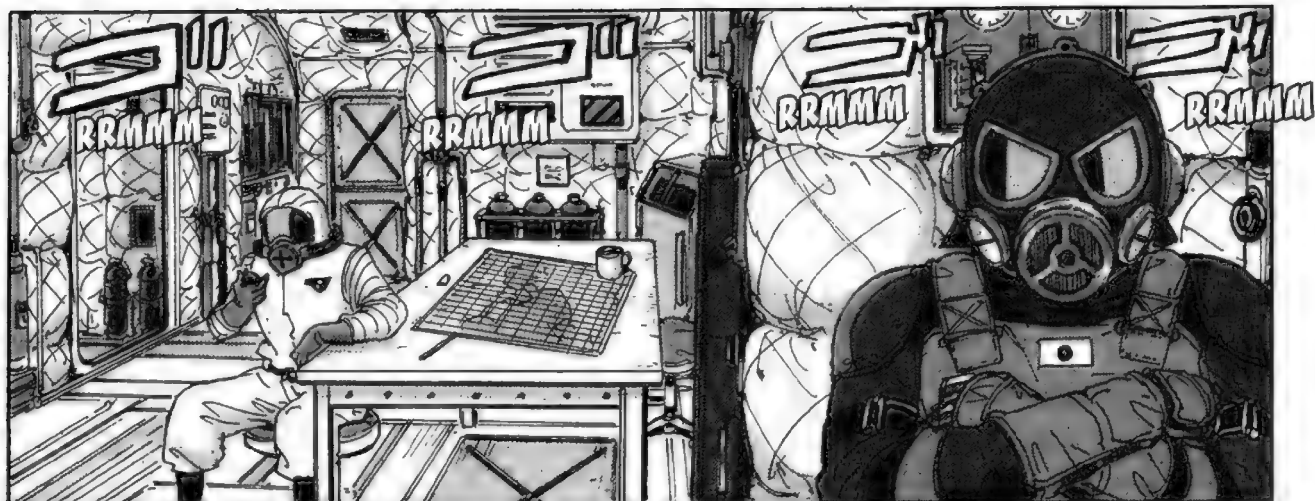
It's actually
a cloud
of microscopic
radioactive
particles called
hot particles...

A normal
human can't
go anywhere
near it.

Yes.

...which are
part of
radioactive
fallout—
also known
as the *ashes
of death*.



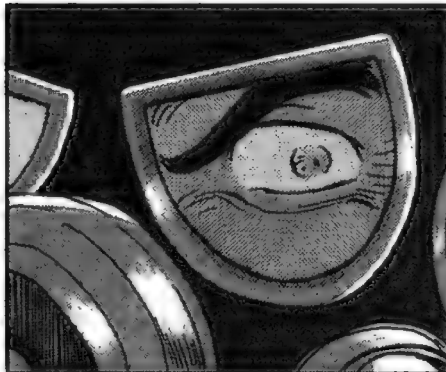




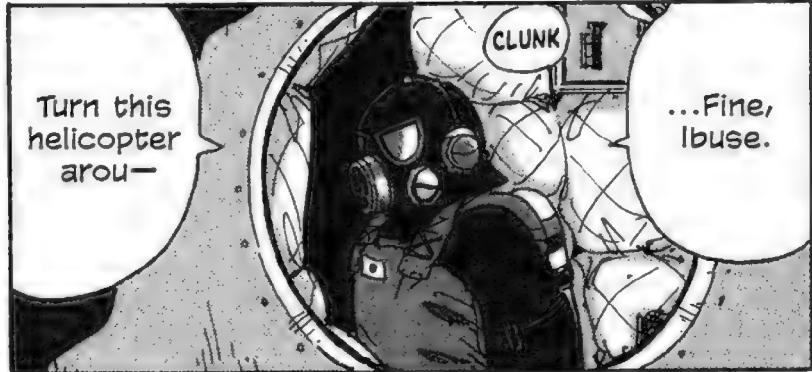
...the terror
of nuclear
power.



You want
everyone
to see...



Turn this
helicopter
arou—



CLUNK

...Fine,
Ibuse.



Yes,
sir!

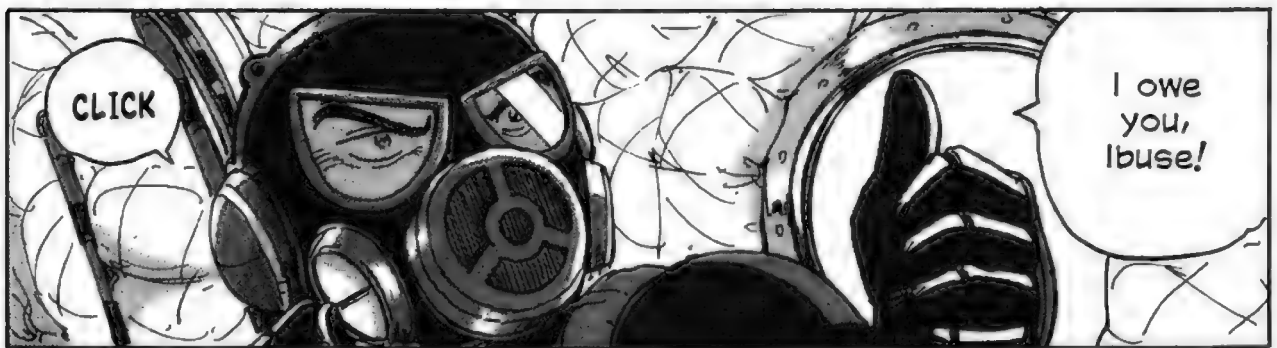
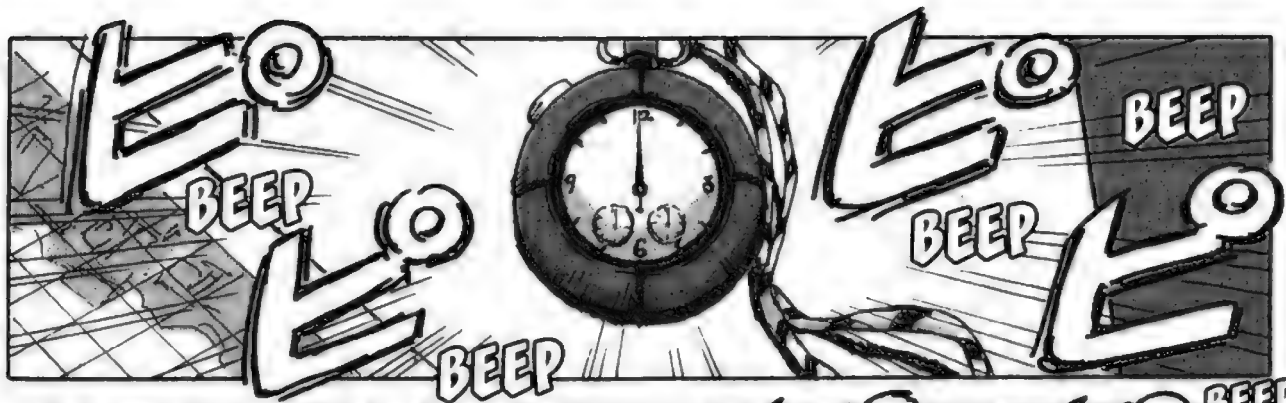
CLACK

Call
the TV
station!



The
fog!

It's
gone!







WHY
COULDN'T
WE
PREVENT
IT?

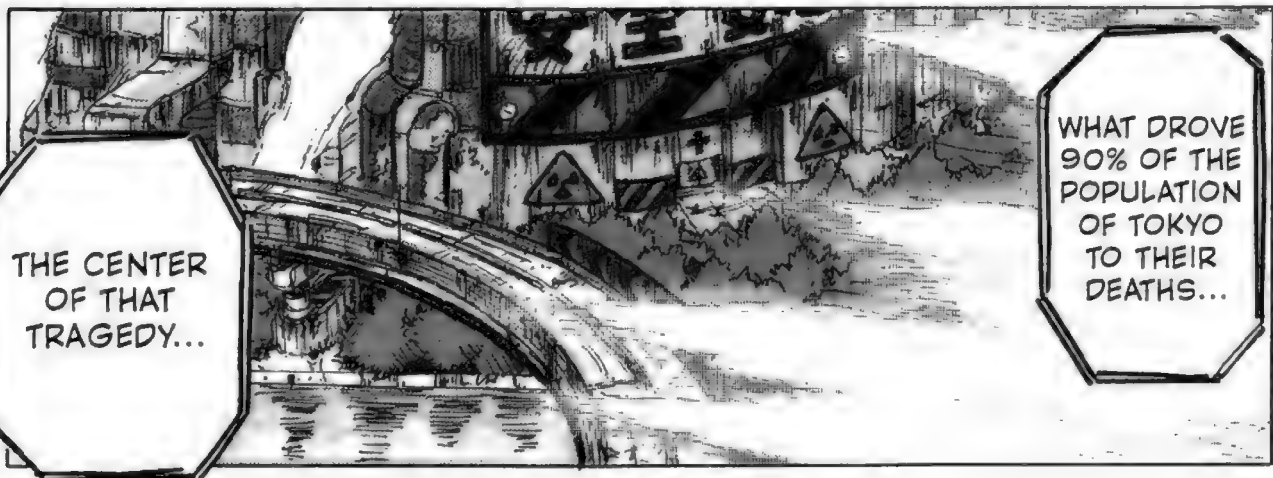


NEVER
FORGET WHAT
YOU ARE
ABOUT TO
SEE.



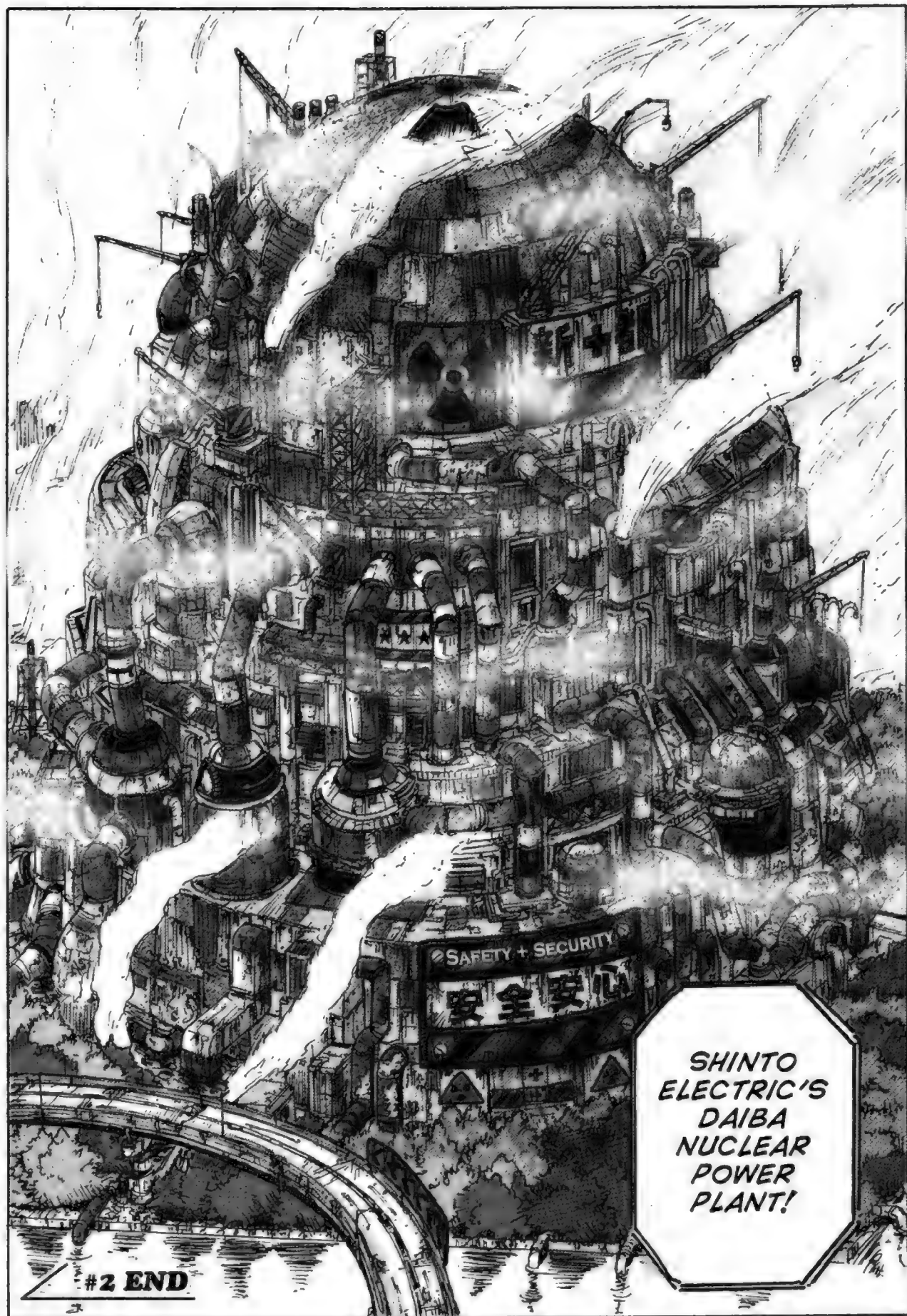
No...
we *all*
are.

I'm still
searching
for the
answer
today.



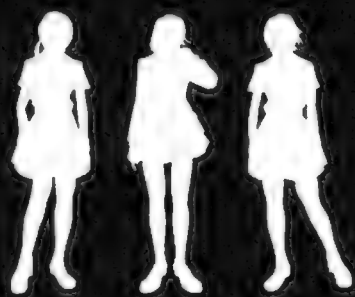
THE CENTER
OF THAT
TRAGEDY...

WHAT DROVE
90% OF THE
POPULATION
OF TOKYO
TO THEIR
DEATHS...

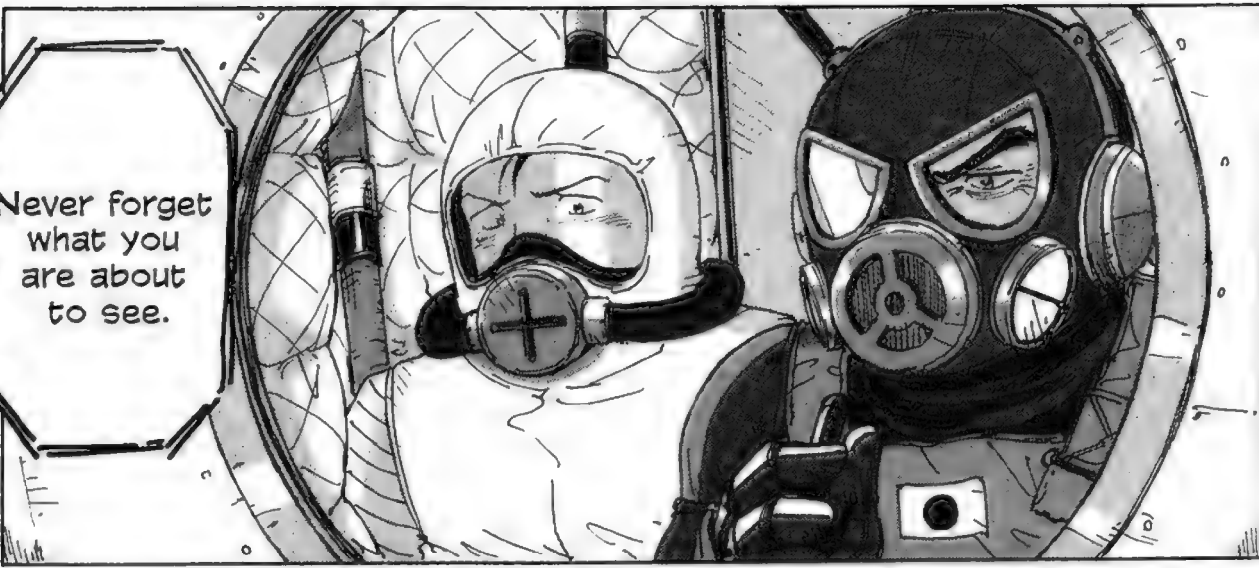


SHINTO
ELECTRIC'S
DAIBA
NUCLEAR
POWER
PLANT!

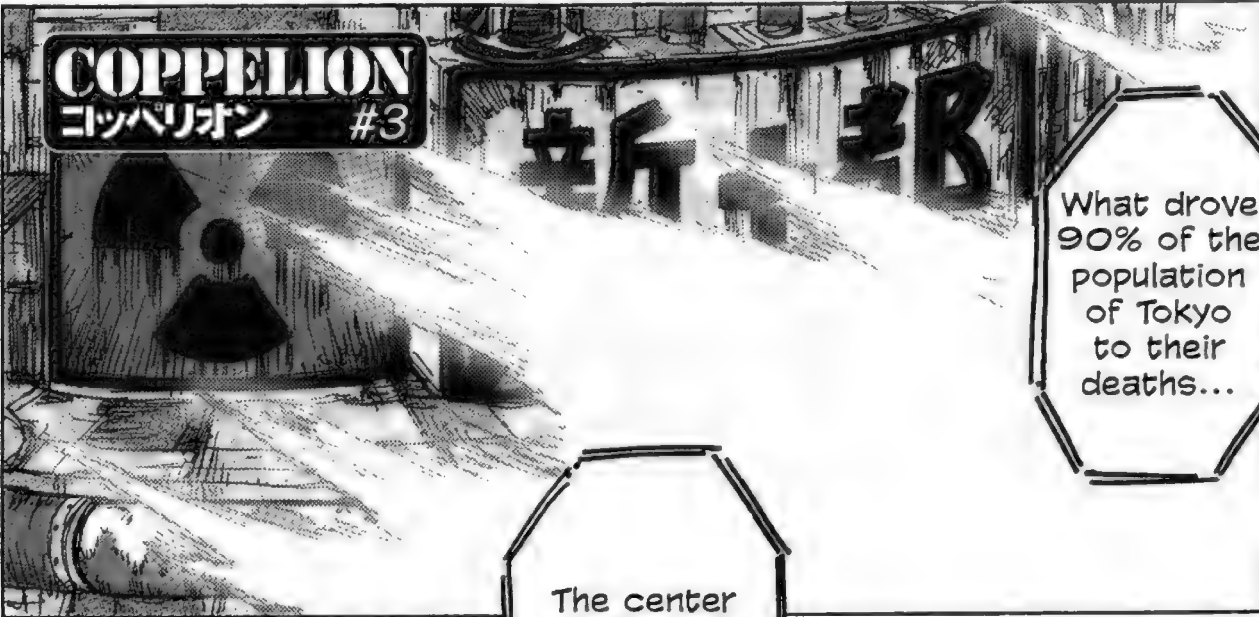
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COPPELION
コッペリオン



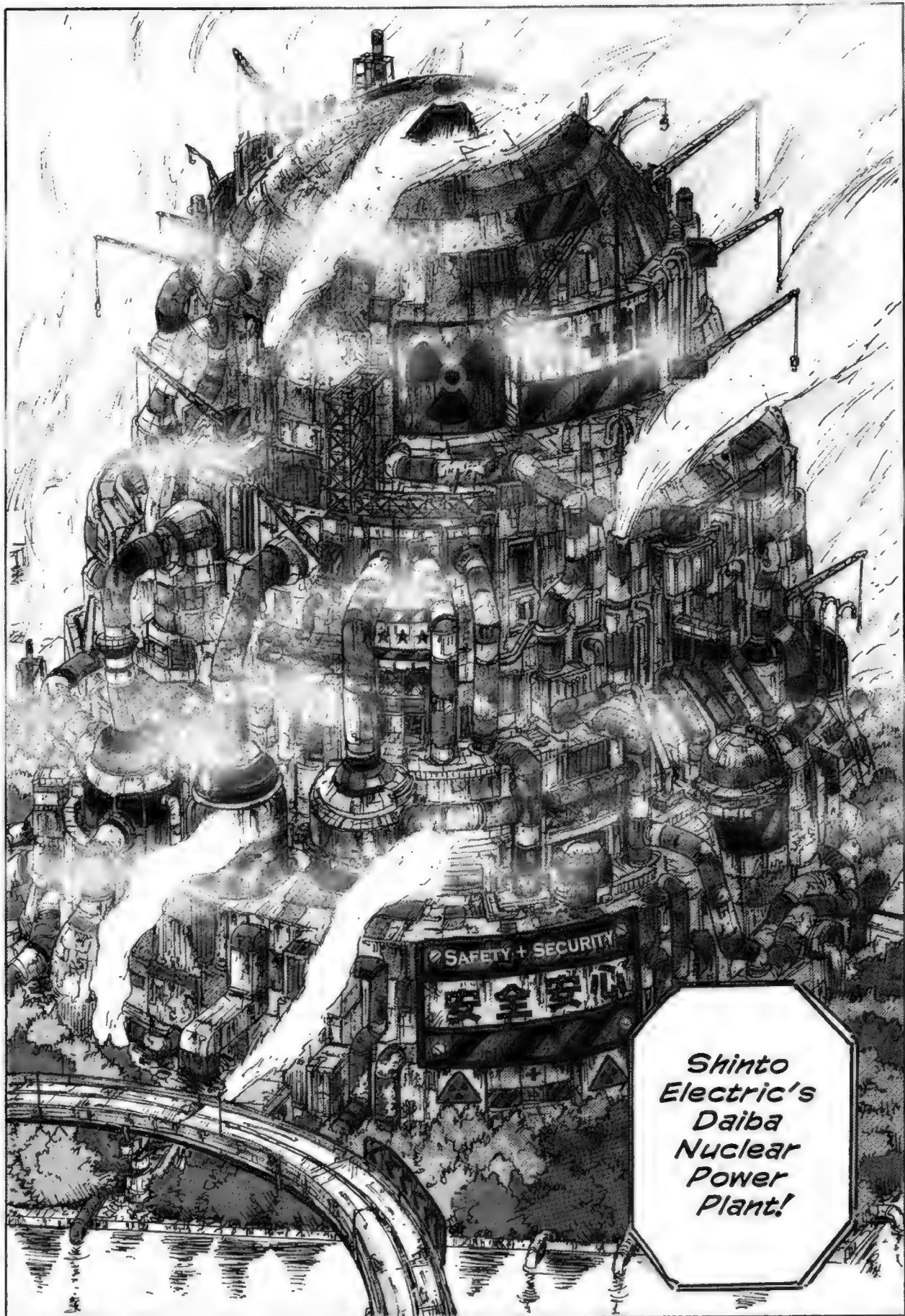
Never forget
what you
are about
to see.

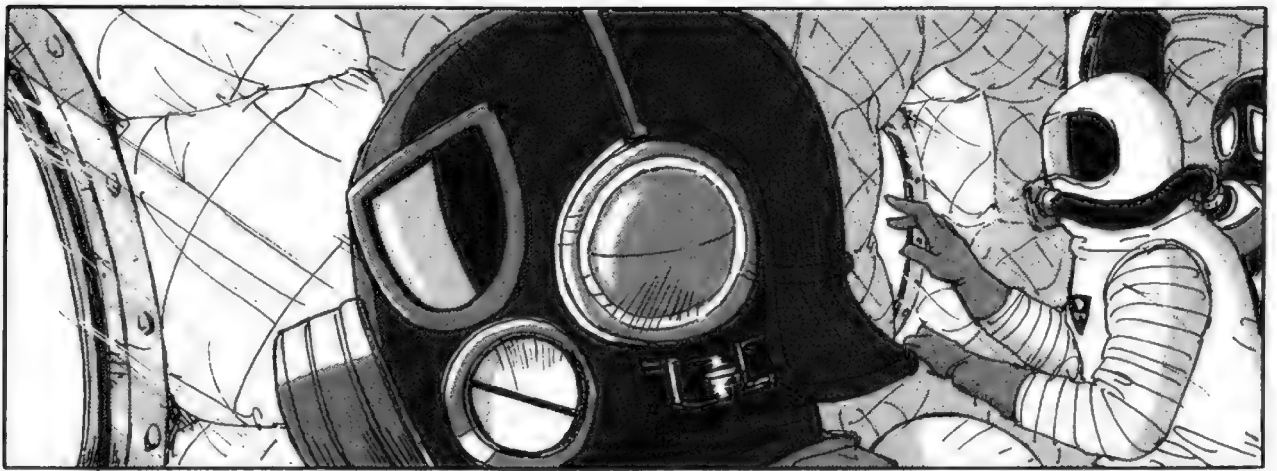


COPPELION
コッペリオン #3

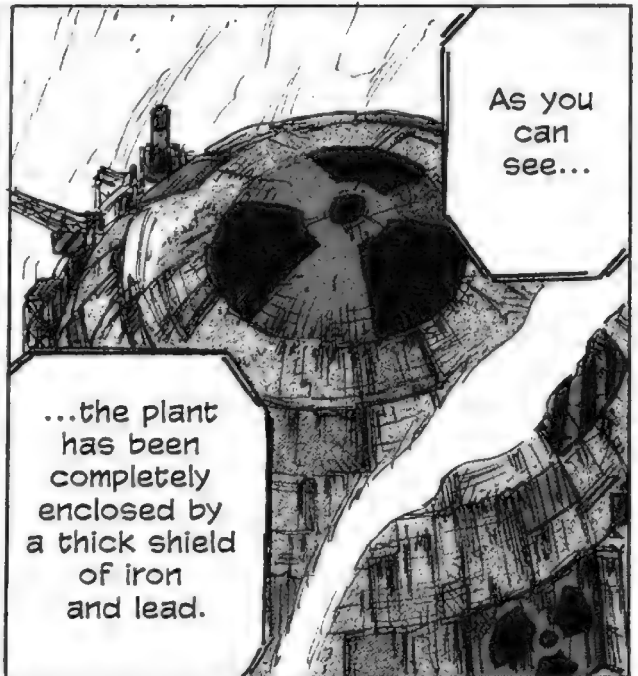
What drove
90% of the
population
of Tokyo
to their
deaths...

The center
of that
tragedy...





Mankind has not yet found a way to purge the radiation from either site.



As you can see...

...the plant has been completely enclosed by a thick shield of iron and lead.



...to prevent the radioactive materials that remained inside from leaking out.

This is the very same measure that was taken at Chernobyl...

It was out of our hands from the very moment it was released.

Citizens
of Japan—
no, citizens
of the
world:

...the
"sarco-
phagus."

CHERNOBYL
NUCLEAR
POWER PLANT

50
years ago,
the lead box
covering the
Chernobyl
plant was
named...

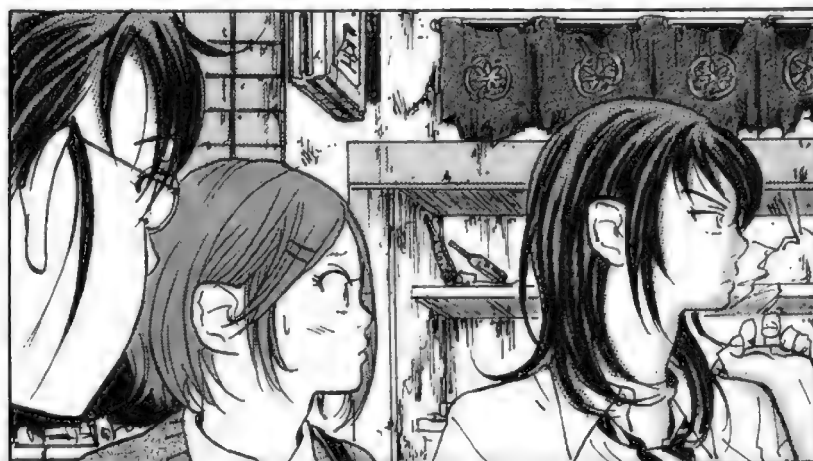


And now
the same
coffin can
be found
in Tokyo.

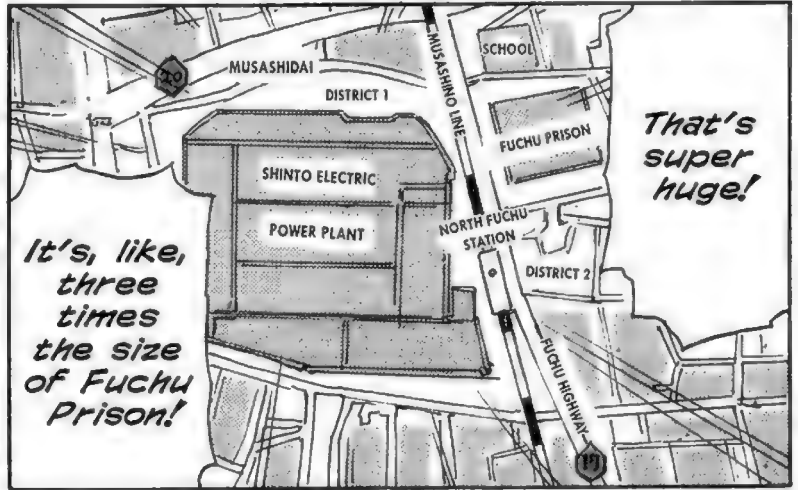
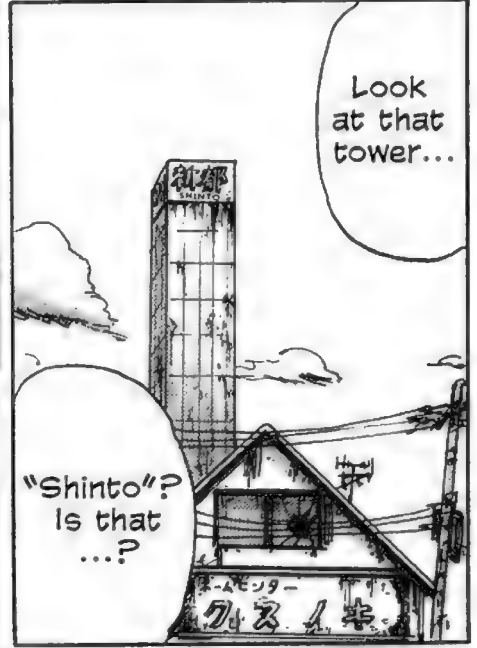
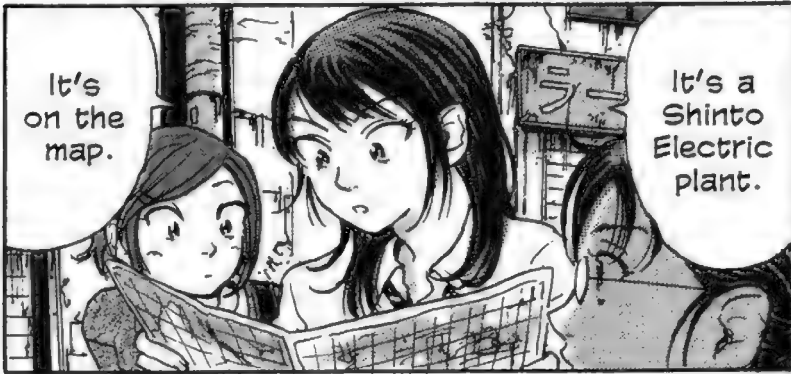
This box,
Pandora's
box, was
opened
by human
hands.

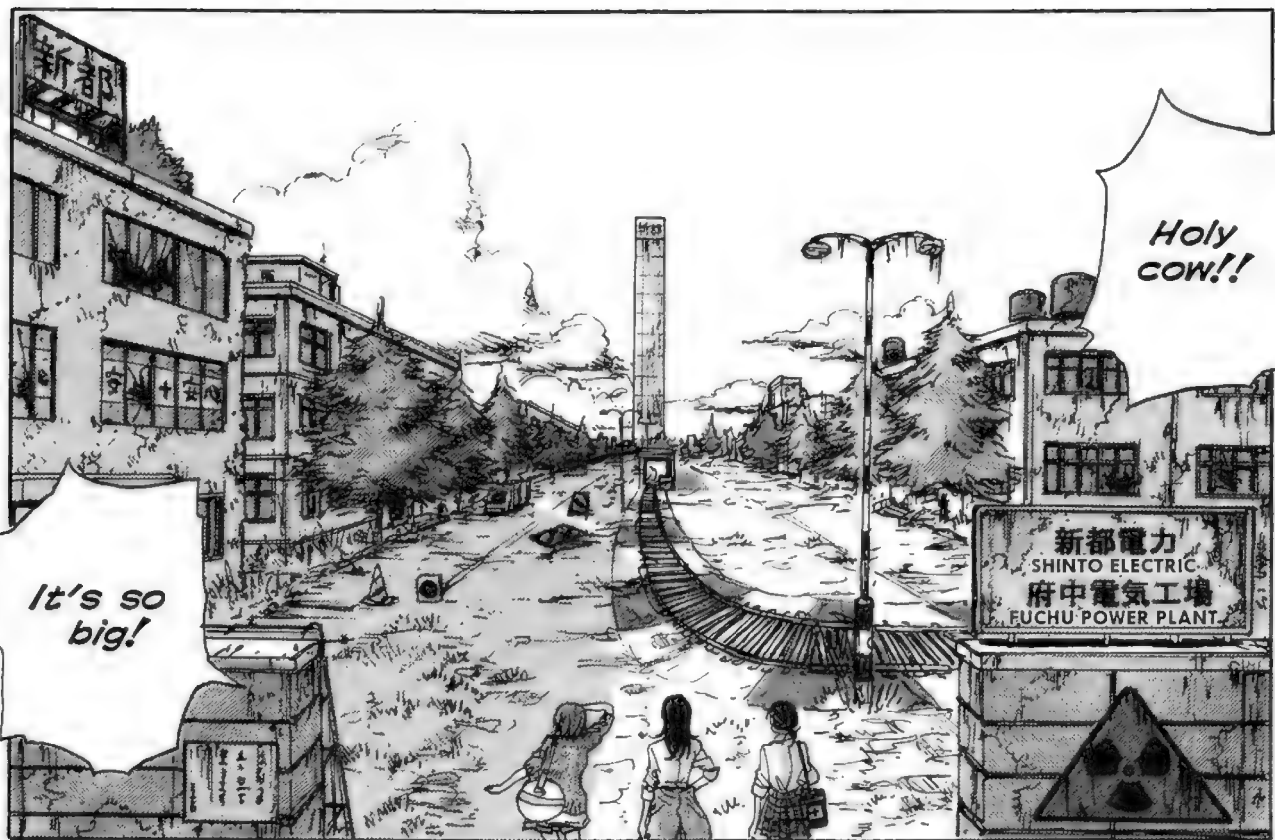
Will another
appear
somewhere,
in the
future?

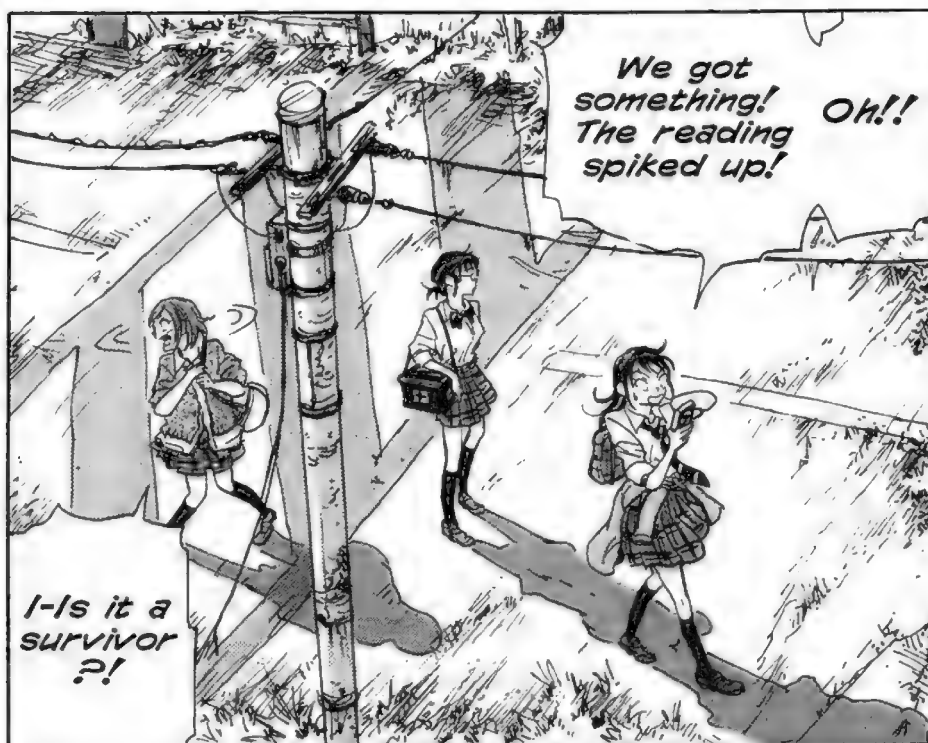
But we
know not
how to
close it...



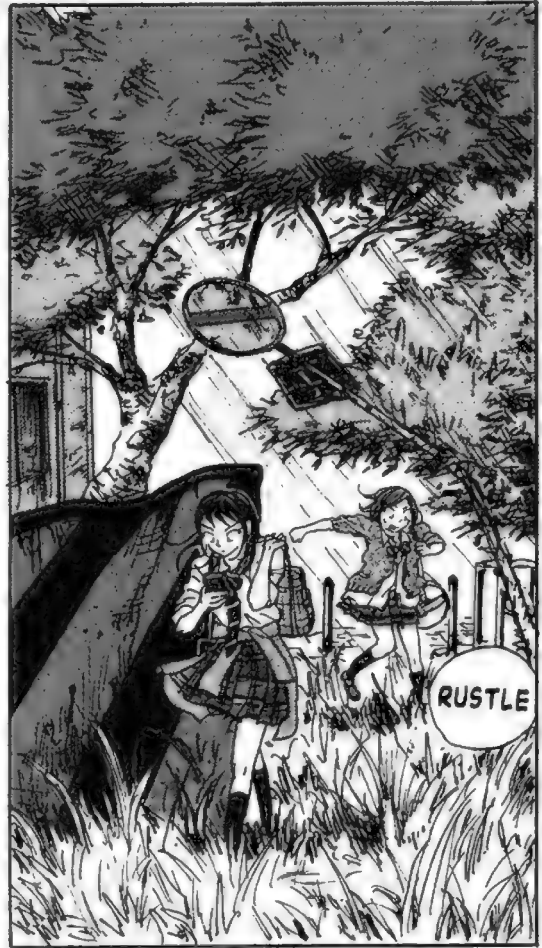


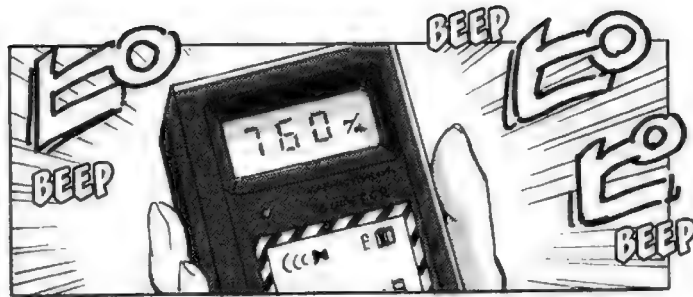


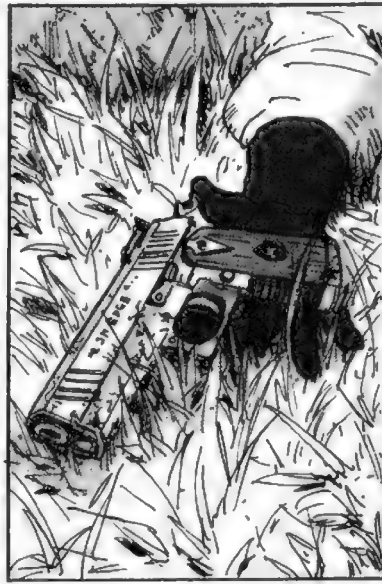


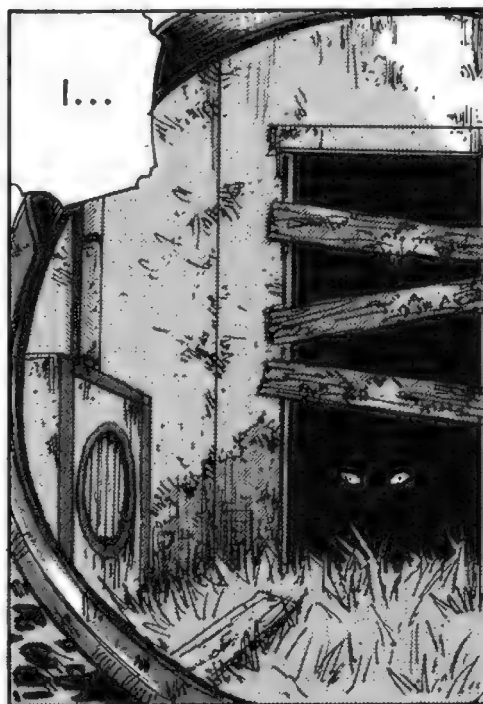
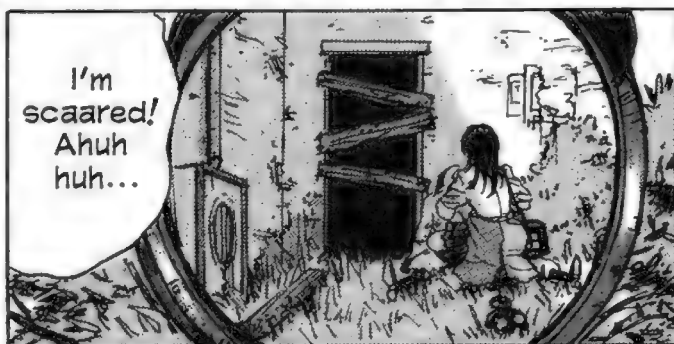
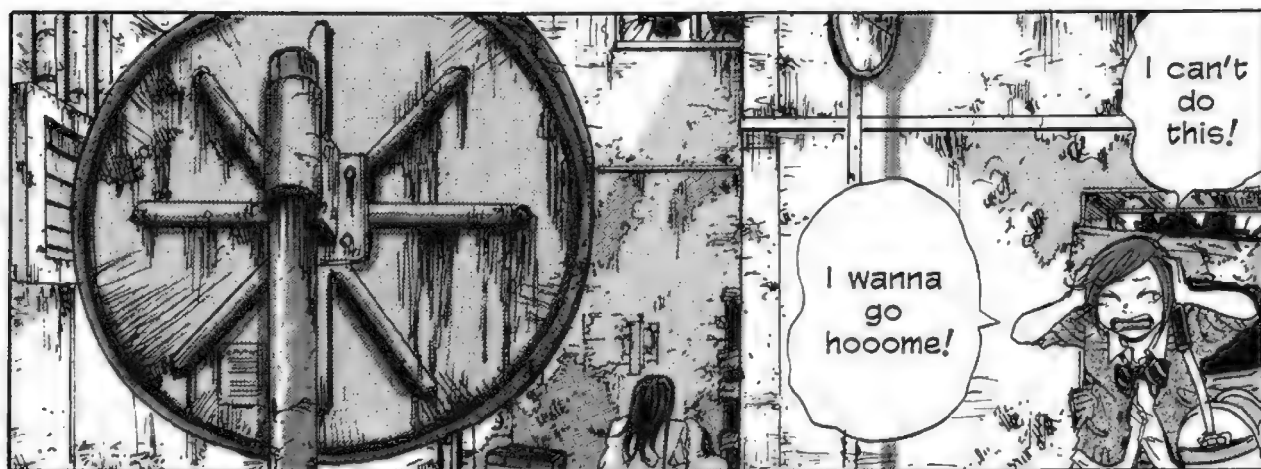














BSHOOM









She's unarmed!



What about the dog *Taeko's* with?!

Wait...



I am!

BOOP

Call her!
Quick!



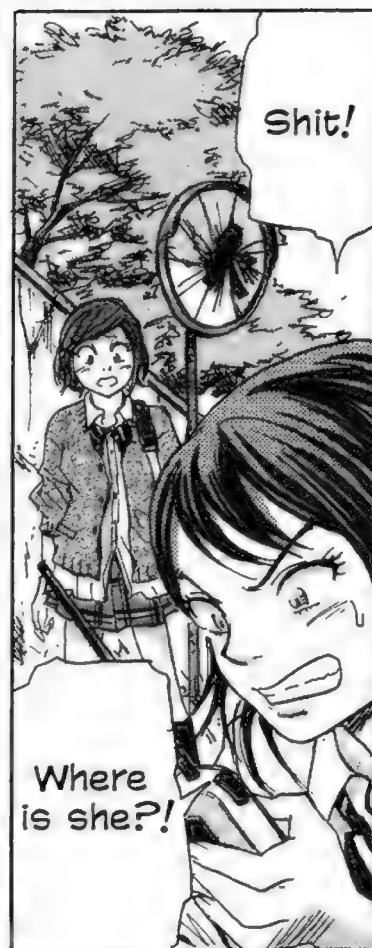
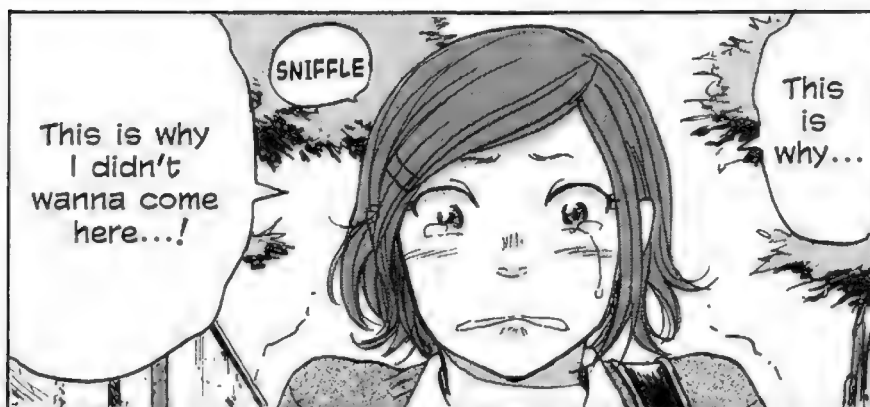
Can you hear me?!

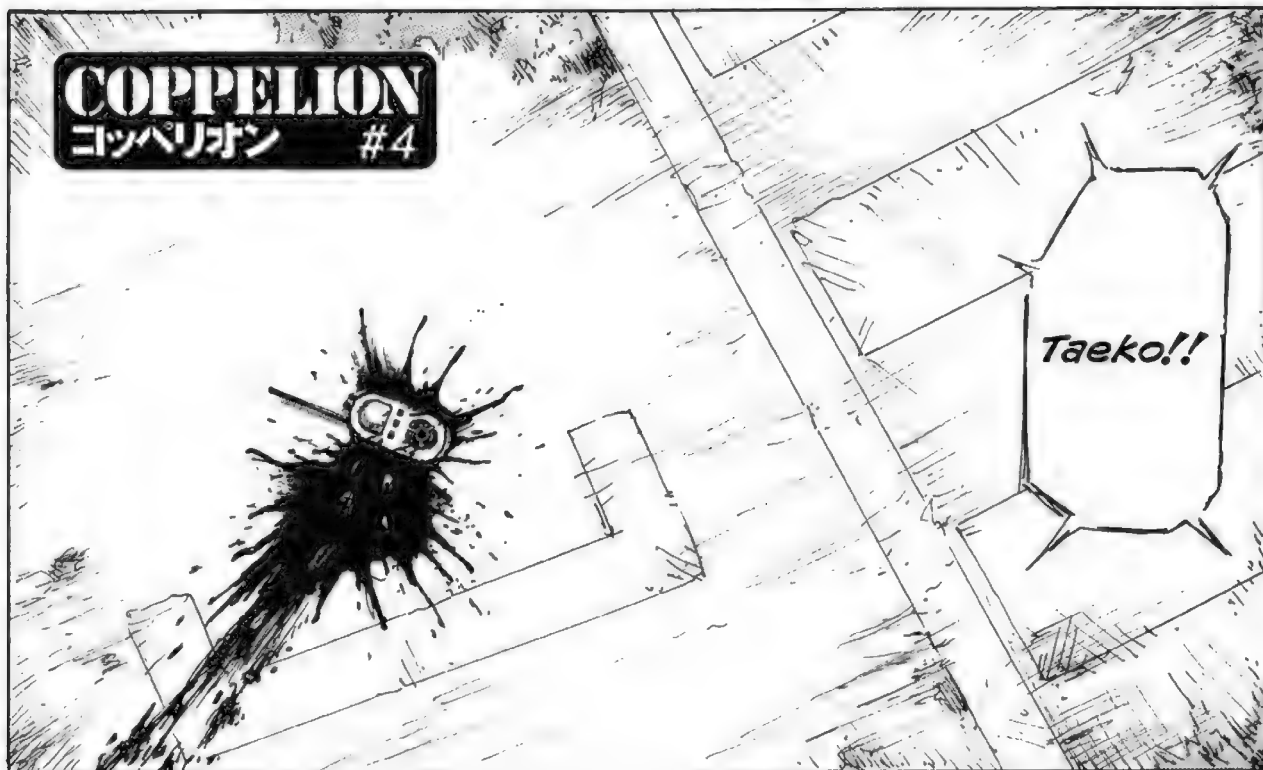
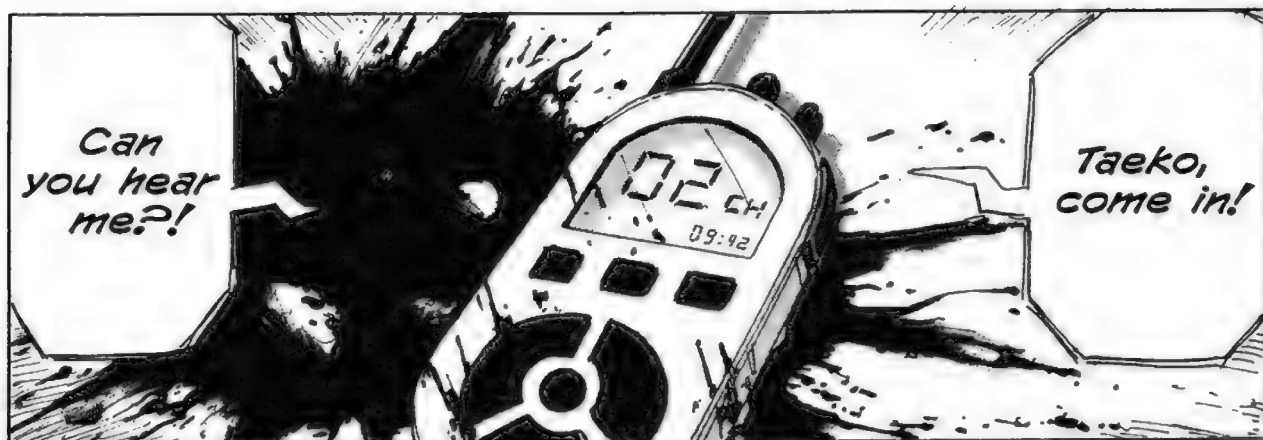
Taeko!



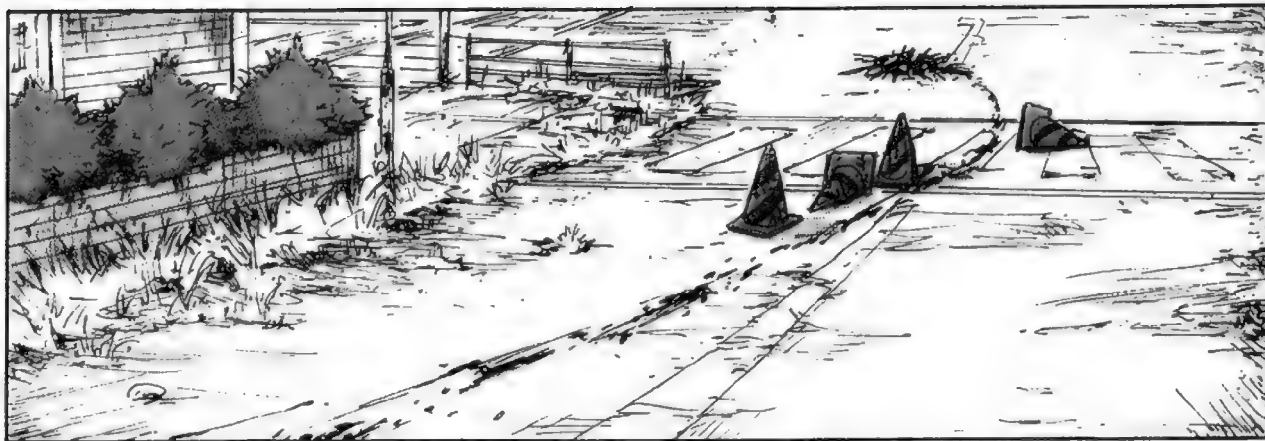
BEEP
GSSHHH

Taeko!
Taeko,
come in!









A wolf
got
her...!



Ahun...

Taekooo
...!

PLIP

PLIP



Ahuh
huh...

Hng...



Why
didn't they
tell us
this stuff
before they
made us
do this!

But...
N-Nobody
ever told
us there'd
be *wild*
animals
here!



There's
still hope.

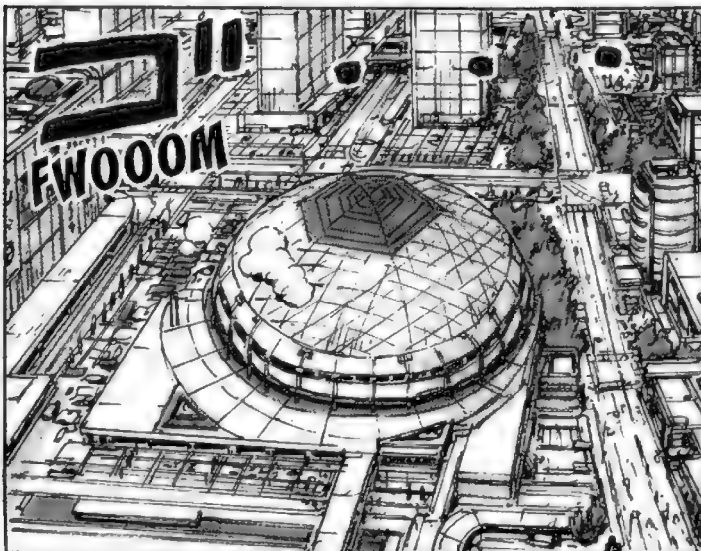
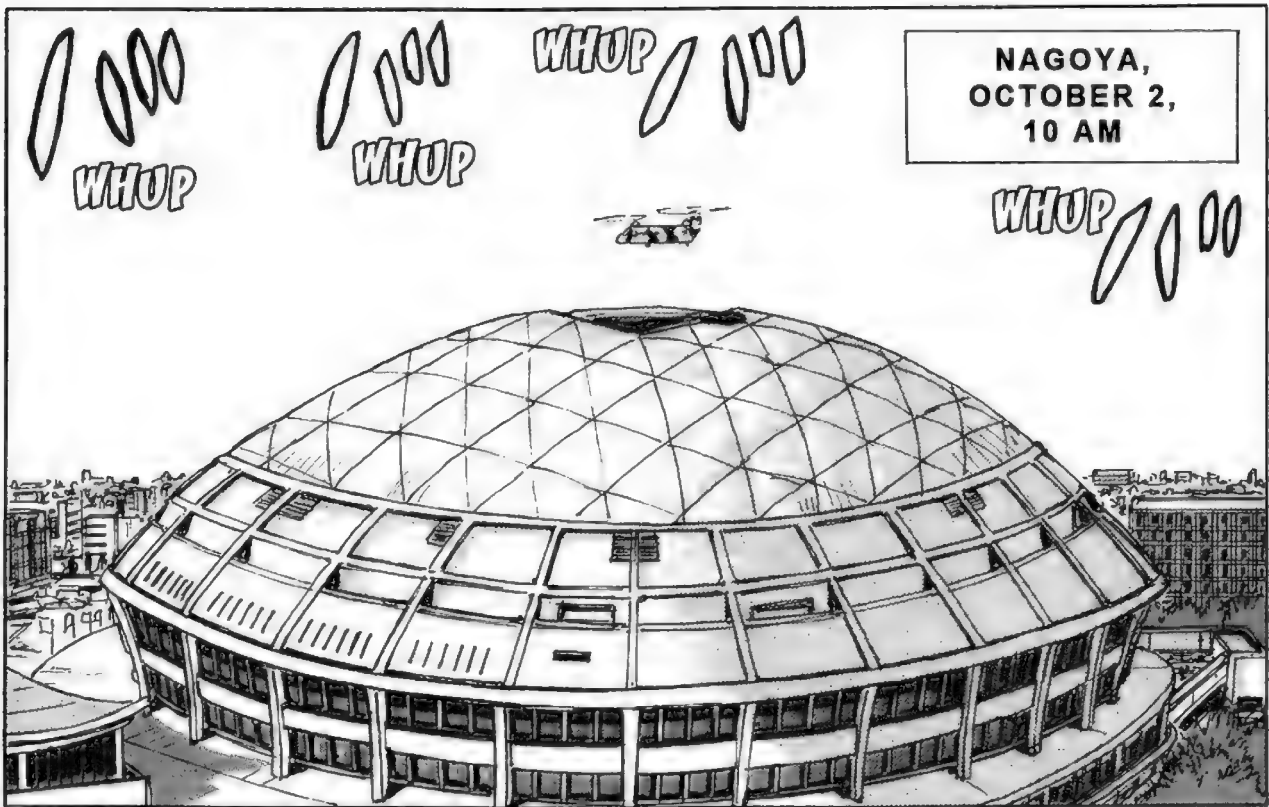
Don't
cry!

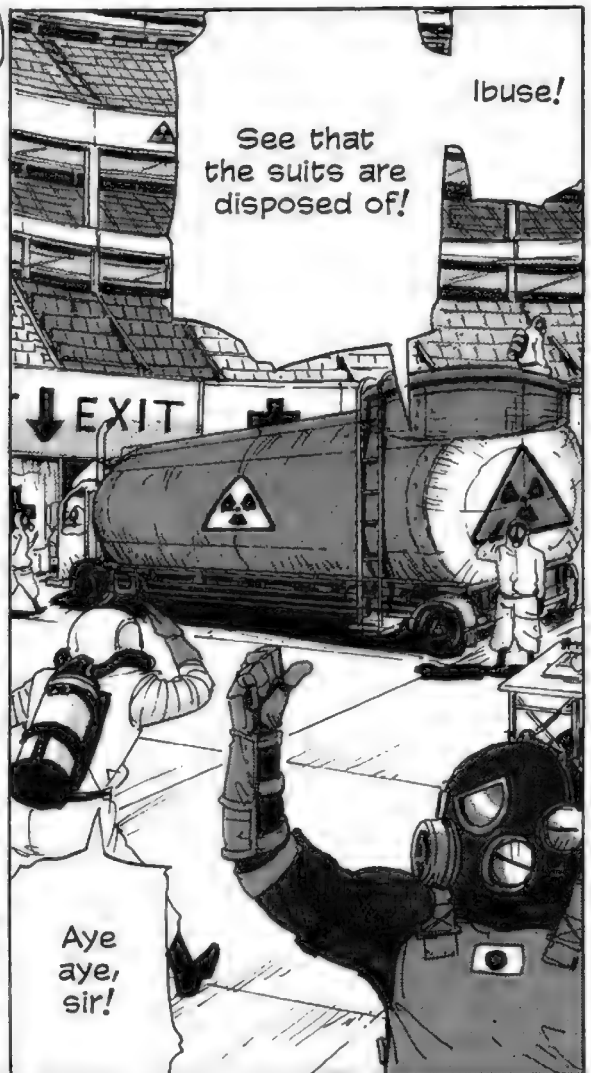
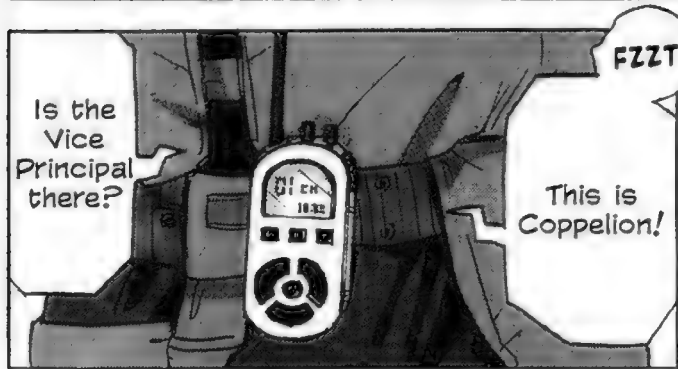
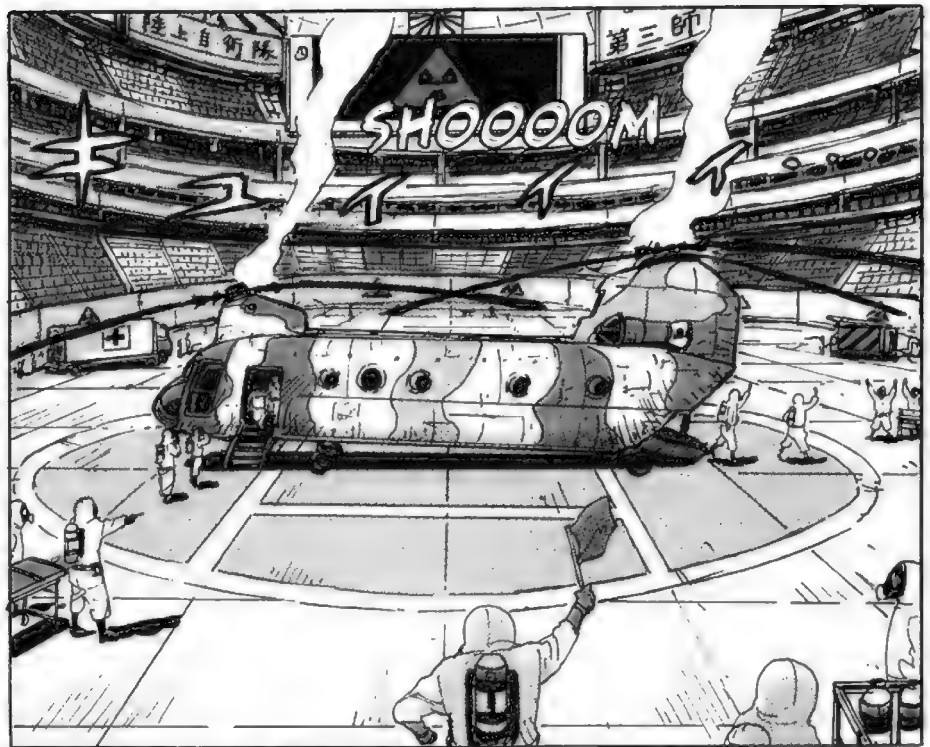
We'll follow
this blood
trail!

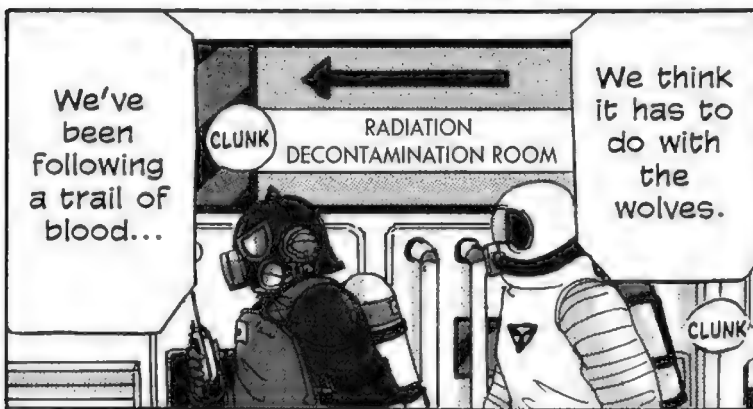


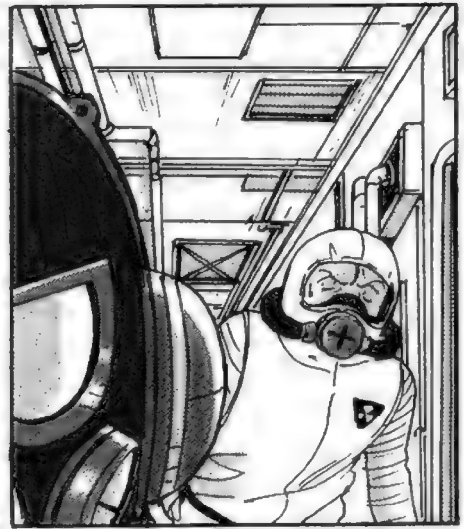
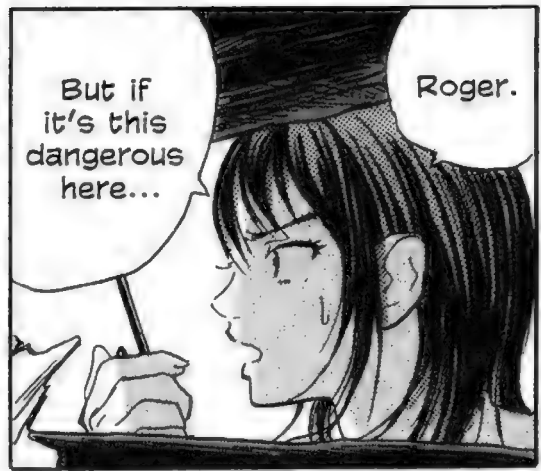
Y'got
that
right.

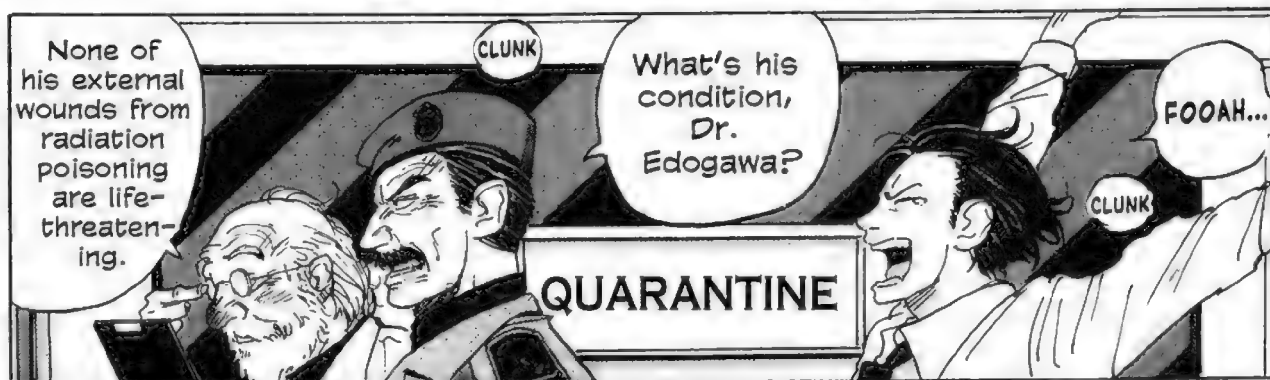
BEEP
BOOP
BEEP

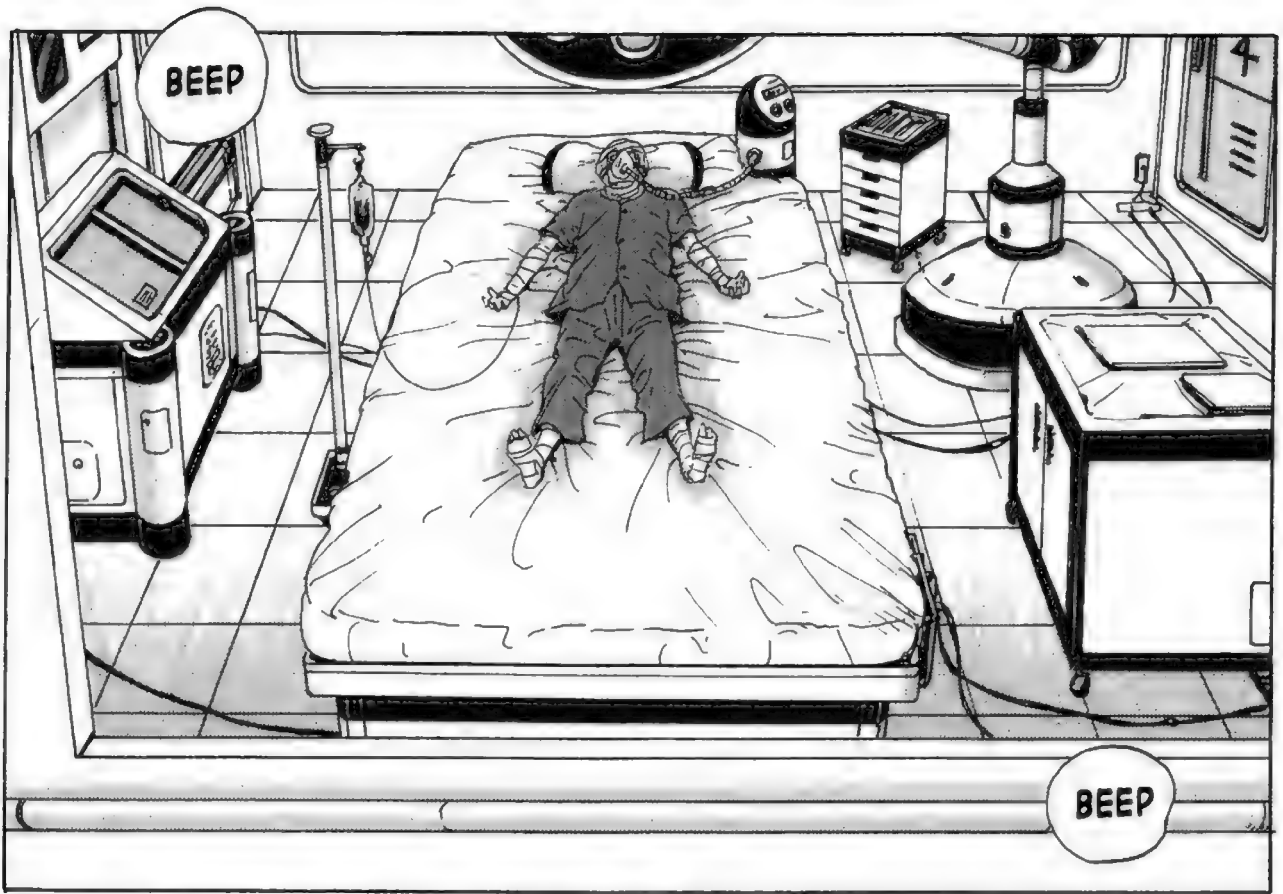


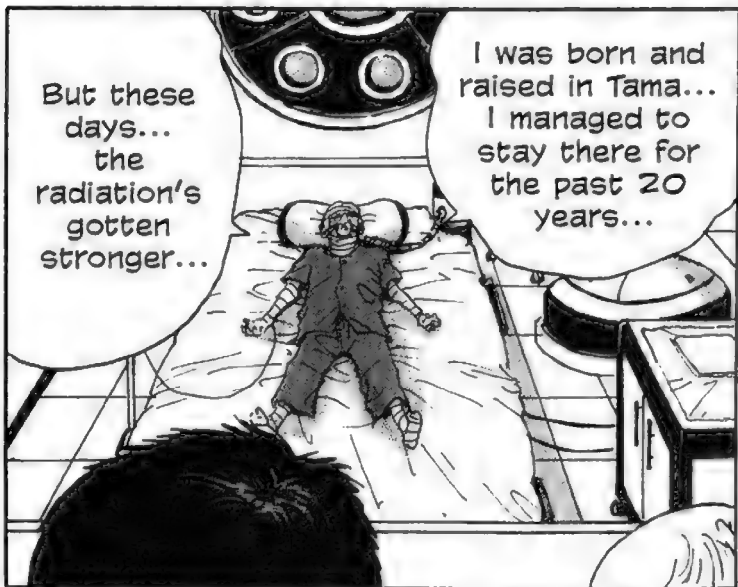
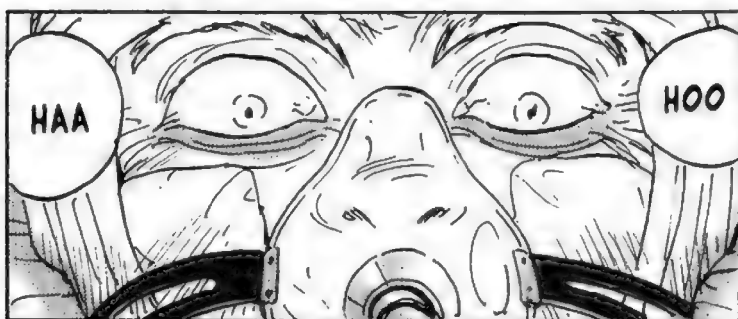














With the emergency supplies you government people dropped in...

With...

I see. And how did you feed yourself?



The cancer in his brain may have made his memory unclear.

Please... try not to upset him.



And after those drops stopped five years ago?

Oh?



HAA

HOO

Wh... What are you...?!



Please, this way.

We'll try again later, Vice Principal...

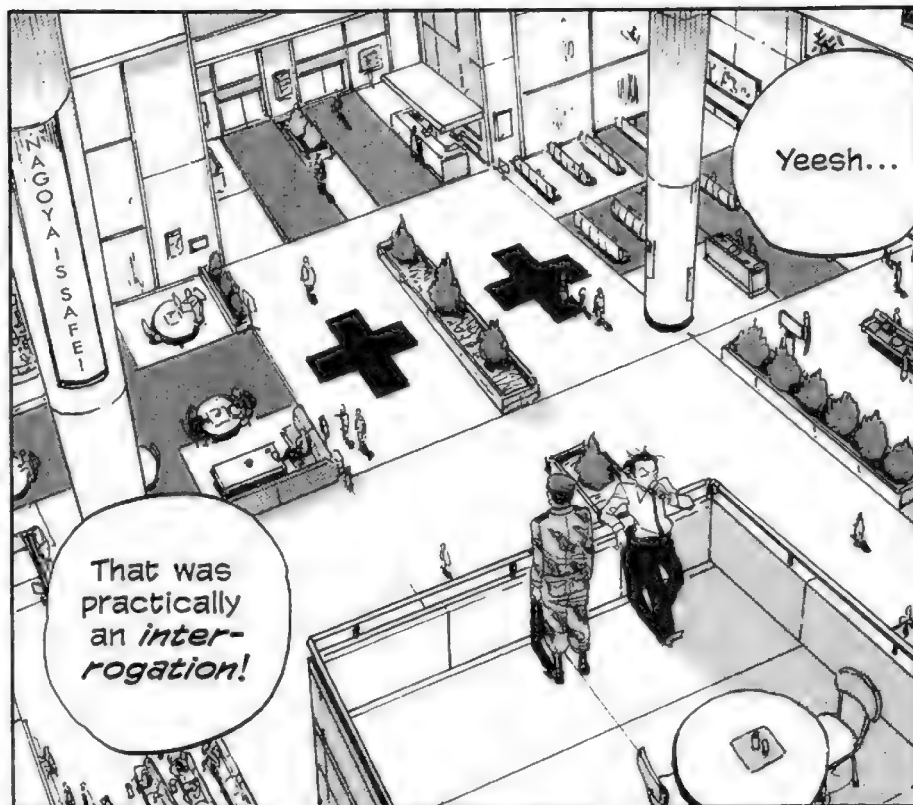


We have to collect as much intel as we can before he dies.



It's not like he's a criminal, y'know?

He's already suffered enough.



Yeesh...

That was practically an *interrogation*!

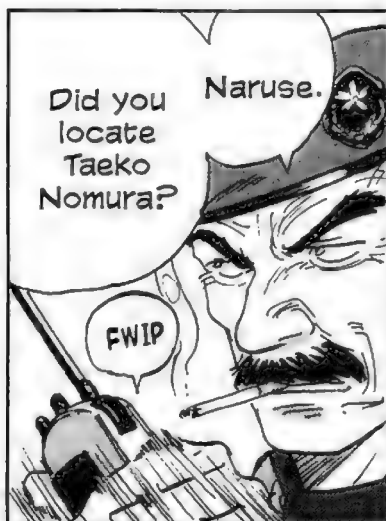


Something caught your interest?



He's hiding something.

SST



Did you locate Taeko Nomura?

Naruse.

FWIP



Nothing specific...

This is Coppelion on channel 1!

BSHOOM



*We're
under
attack!*

BSSH

*We're
taking
fire!*



PFFBT

What?!



BSHOOM

*They started
shooting
out of
nowhere!*

*I'm
returning
fire!*



SHWEEN

*I can't
do
this!*

*This
isn't a
field trip
at all!*



WHUD

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

BLAM

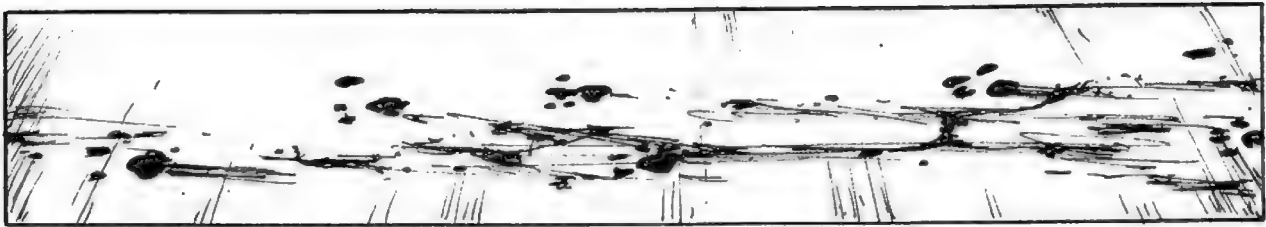
BSHOOM

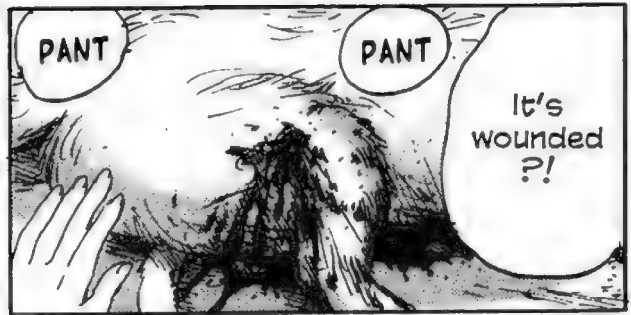
















Why is
the *wolf*
hurt?!

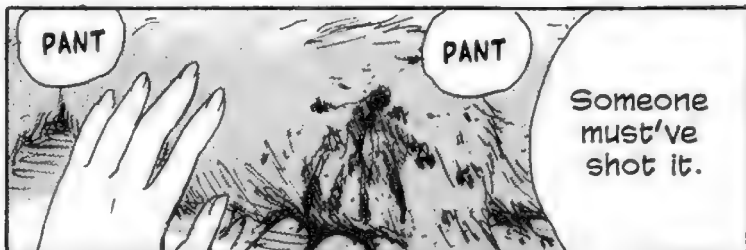
Why
...?



Ibara!

Over
there!

COPPELION
コッペリオン #5



PANT

PANT

Someone
must've
shot it.



?!

Don't
move!!



Taeko
doesn't
have
a gun...

But...



Which
means...

...the
shooter
from
earlier—





Where
are your
hazmat
suits?!

What the
hell are
you?!



We have
antibodies
that make
us immune to
radiation.

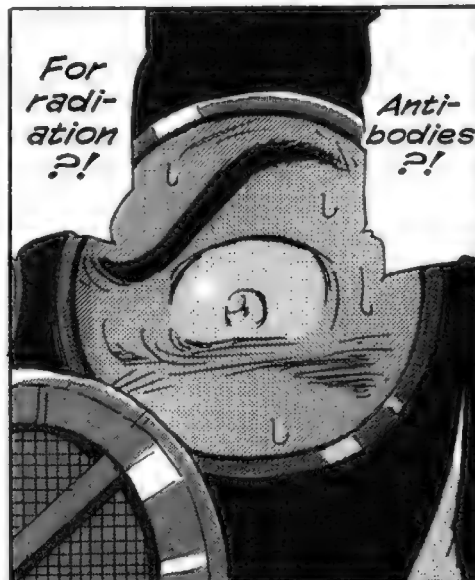
SWIP
⚡...

We're
Coppellion—
a special
forces unit
with the
JGSDF
3rd Division.



We're
here to
help you.

Please,
calm
down.



For
radi-
ation
?!

Anti-
bodies
?!

HUFF
WHEEZE

HUFF
WHEEZE



Your daughter?



You took my daughter!

You're lying!



I'm getting tired of this!



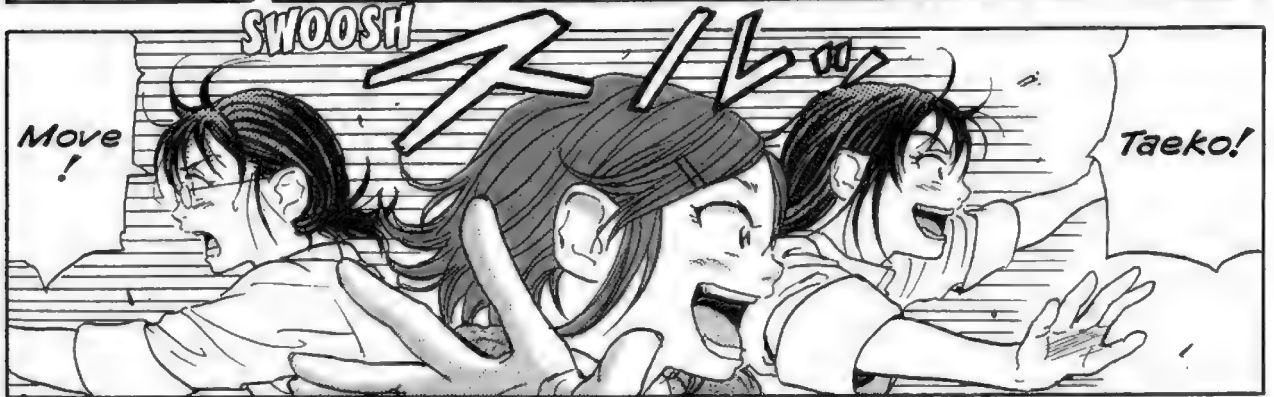
Don't play dumb!

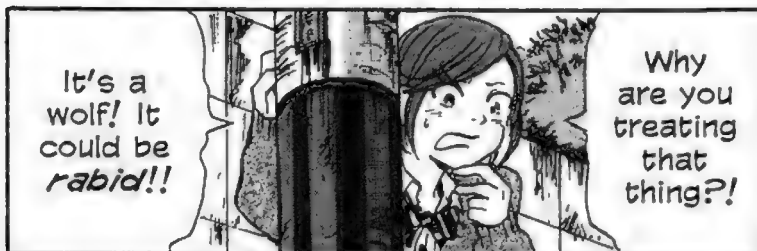
She's my precious little girl! Give her back!



Hng!









I don't
have time
to be
sitting
here!

That's
right!



You said
your
daughter's
missing?



Urgh...!

If anything
happened
to my
Miku...



*My
daughter
went
missing this
morning!
She's only
9 years
old!*

*Help me
look for her!
I'm beggin'
ya!*



*I'm
sorry
about
what I
did!*



*You
try that
way!*

*I'll look
this
way!*

*Shout
if ya
find
her!*



*Please,
help!*



But first,
where do
you live?
How old
are y—?

We
will.

NAGOYA

A
child?!

What?!

Yes...

It's a little
girl named
Miku.

There's a
**9-year-old
child** in Tokyo,
amidst all that
radiation?!

Wait...

We're
coming.

Search like
the survivor
said,
for now.

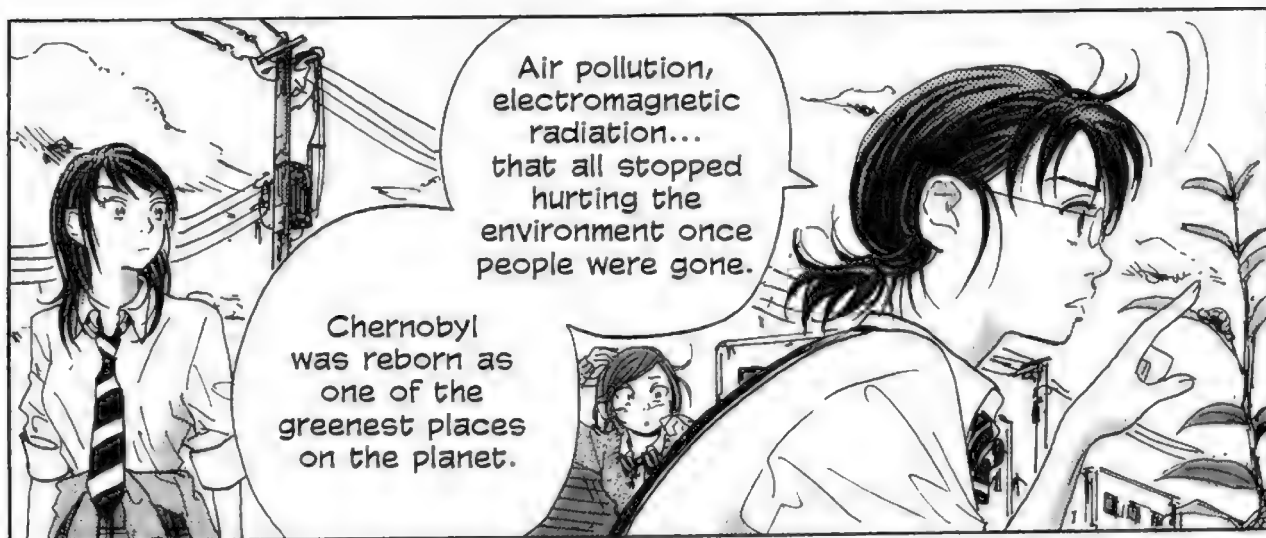
What
should
we do?











Air pollution,
electromagnetic
radiation...
that all stopped
hurting the
environment once
people were gone.

Chernobyl
was reborn as
one of the
greenest places
on the planet.



Doesn't
it hurt
'em?

But
there's
still
radiation.



And the
animals all
came back
down
from the
mountains.

SQUIRM



Well...

Yes...

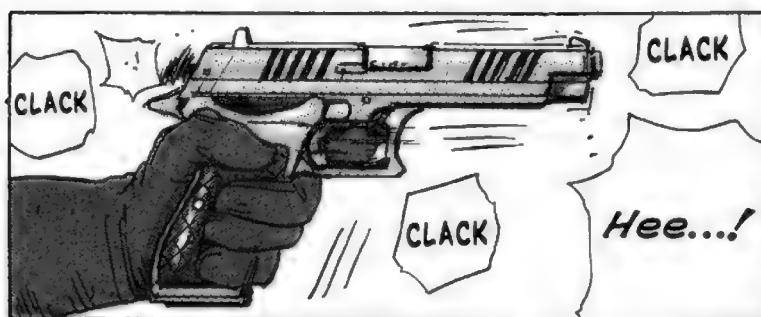


...than for
humans.

PANT

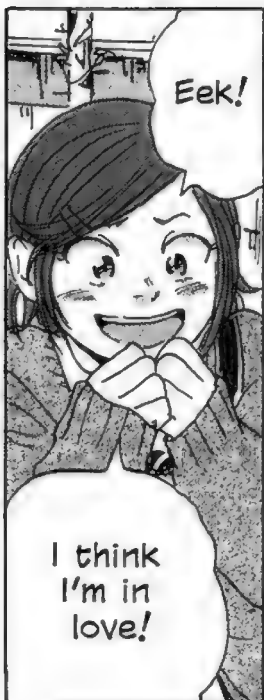


These people
simply have
a higher
tolerance for
radiation...







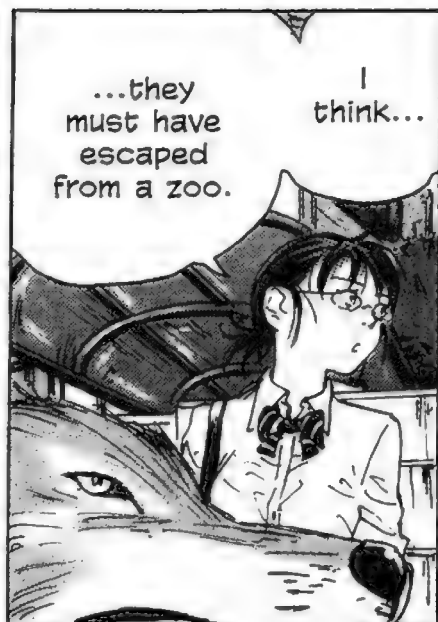




...were so desperate to save themselves...

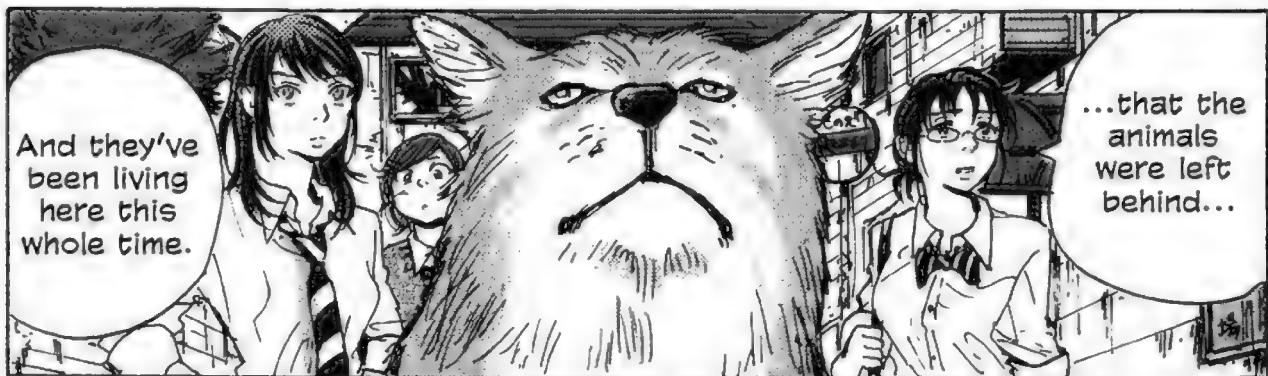
Humans...

TWITCH
TWITCH



...they must have escaped from a zoo.

I think...



And they've been living here this whole time.

...that the animals were left behind...



Dammit!

Where are you, Miku?



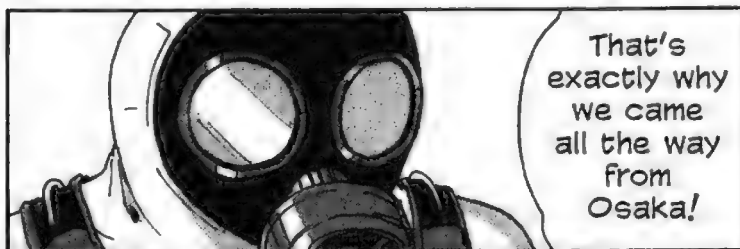
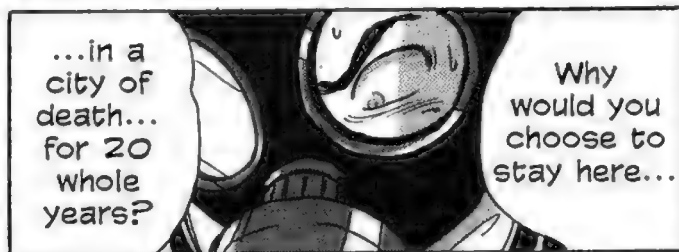
Ahhh ...

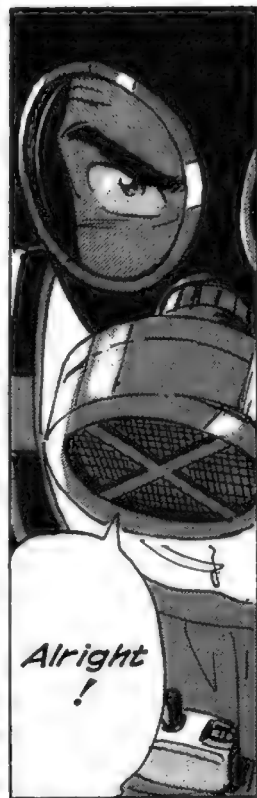
I can't take it anymore!

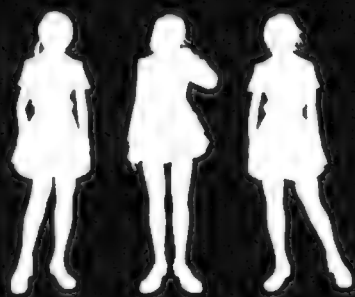


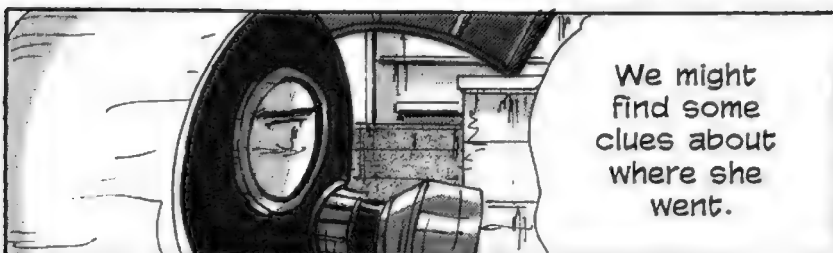
Urgh...
Damn it all!

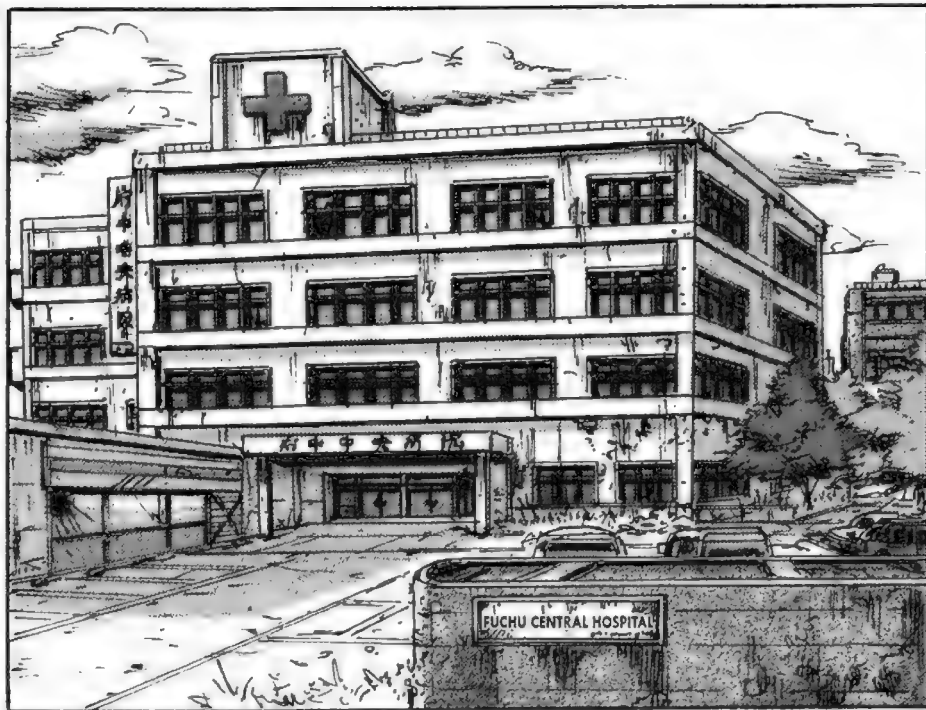
What if those monsters got her?!















They come out of nowhere and leave food, protective gear, and oxygen tanks for us. Then they go on their way.

I don't know.



They stopped showing up last month.

But...



You gotta get de-contaminated before you can go in!

Here we are!



So we had no choice but to send out an SOS.



Did you
just say
shower?!

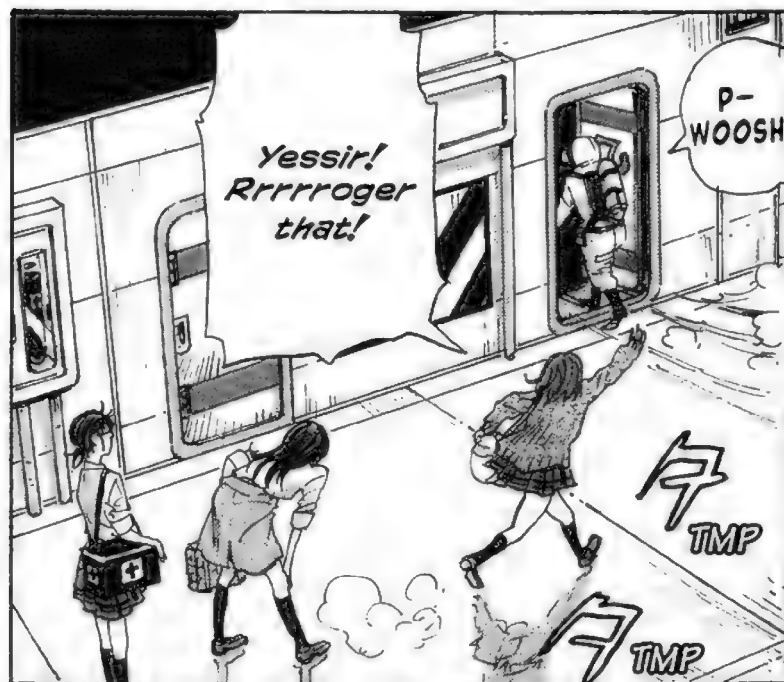
Shower
?!

BONK



There's a
shower in here.
Wash off the
radioactive
particles first.

Then you can
go through
the next
barrier and—



Yessir!
Rrrrrroger
that!

p-
WOOSH

TMP

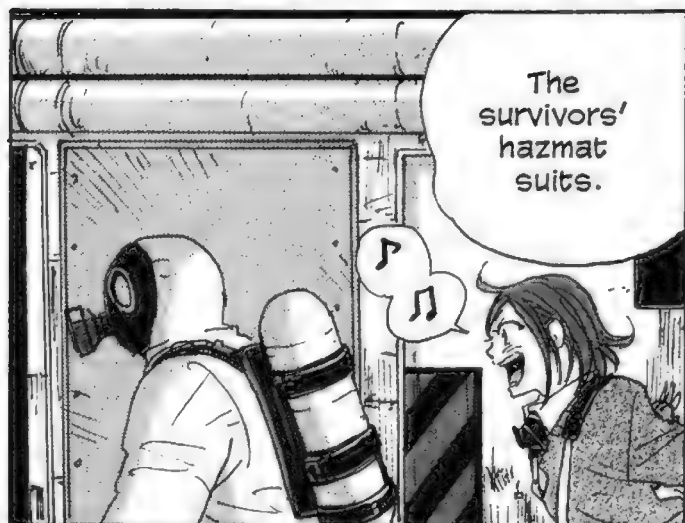
TMP



Yep.
The hospital
has emergency
pipes that pump
water up from
deep underground.

Just
keep it
quick!

カチャ
K-CHK



The
survivors'
hazmat
suits.

♪



What
is it,
Taeko?

Ibara,
something's
been bother-
ing me.

Even
the special
Barrier Suits
the VP and
them wear...

Right.

In class,
they said that
standard suits
can't block
gamma radiation...

...can't
completely
block all
radiation...

RRMMM

RRMMM

RRMMM



Ready for
takeoff!

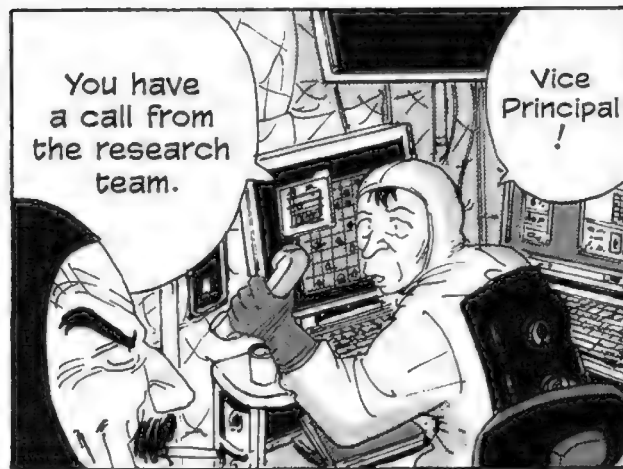
NAGOYA
DOME
3RD
DIVISION
TEMPORARY
HELIPORT

And
back to
hell again
we go.

Fooahh
...

Don't waste
your oxygen,
lbuse.

FOOOOM





Right, right!
We just
finished
compiling the
test results!

Oh!

THUMP



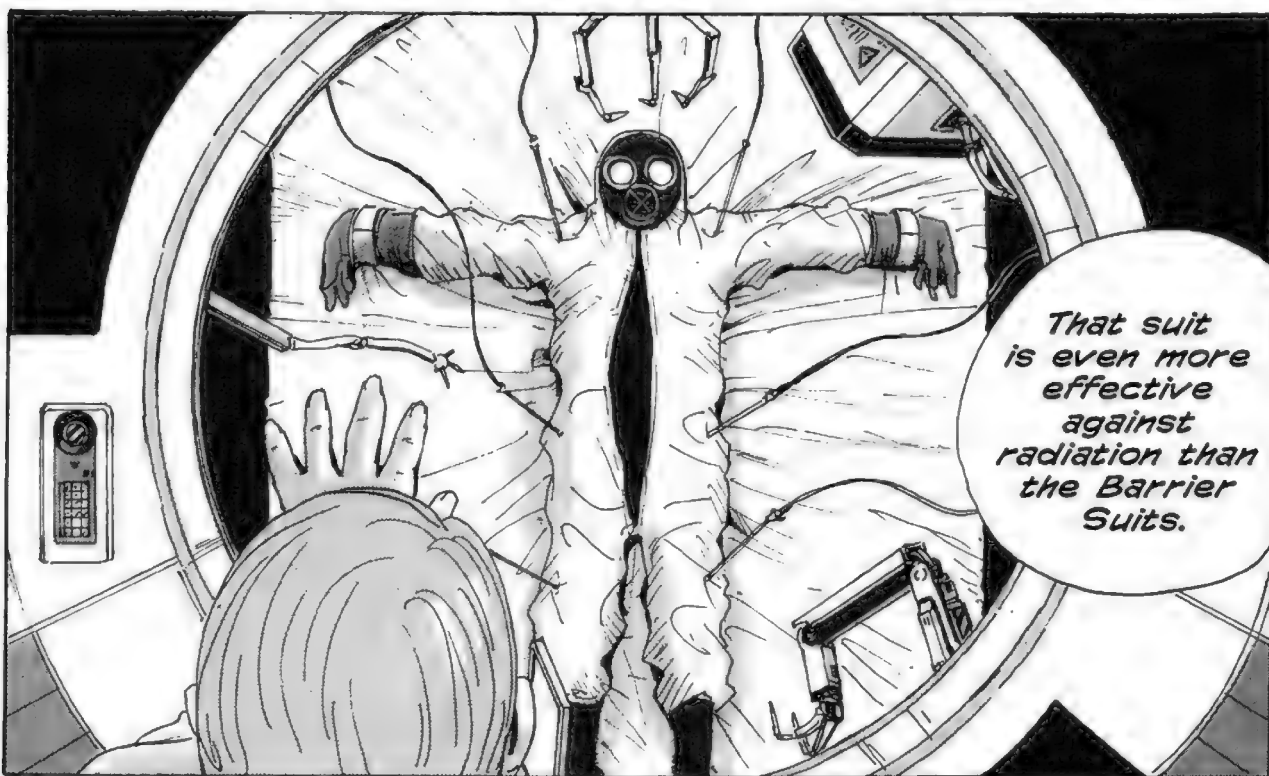
What did
you find
out about
the suit?

Musha-
nokoji.



You
should sit
down for
this, Vice
Principal...

SQUISH

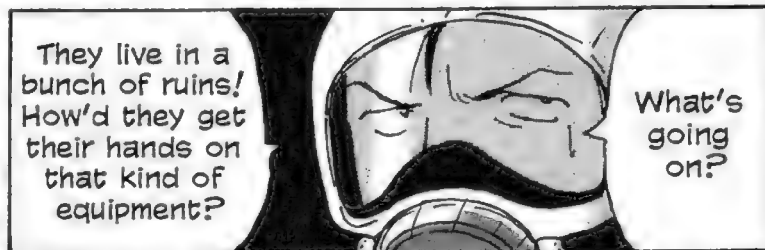


*That suit
is even more
effective
against
radiation than
the Barrier
Suits.*

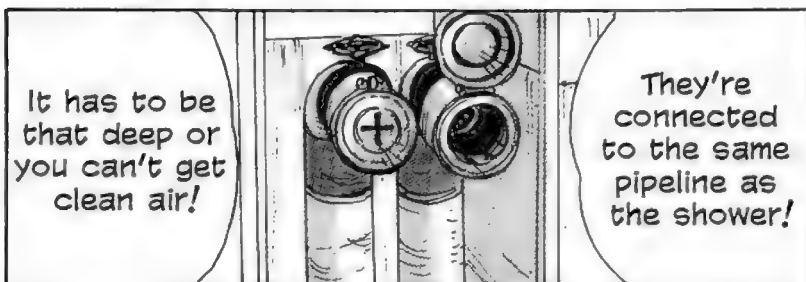
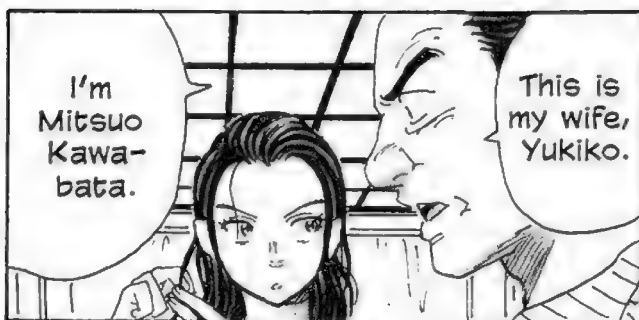
As long as the
radiation level's in
the millisieverts,
it should
be able to block
almost 100%
of the
radioactive
particles.



What?!









I taught
her how.

Miku's a
very clever
girl...



She could
put on
a hazmat
suit by
herself?

You said
she's 9
years old,
yes?



And after
I told her so
many times
not to go
out on
her own!

She was
gone when
I got
up this
morning!



I can't
think of
anything...

Miku doesn't
hide anything
from us.



Stop it,
Yukiko!
That won't
help!

Ahh, And
this is now
all my she's...
fault!



Maybe she
wanted
to do
something
secret.

Why do you
think she
went out on
her own?

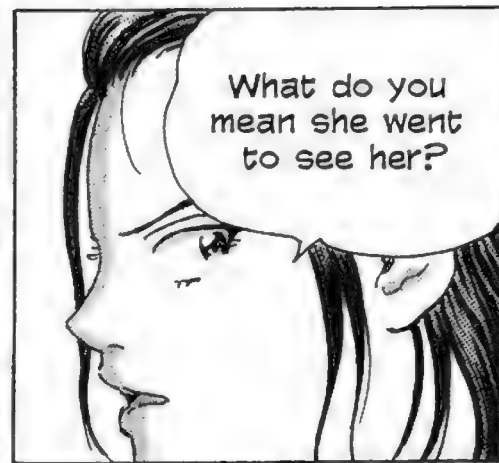


Huh?!



...to
see her
mother!

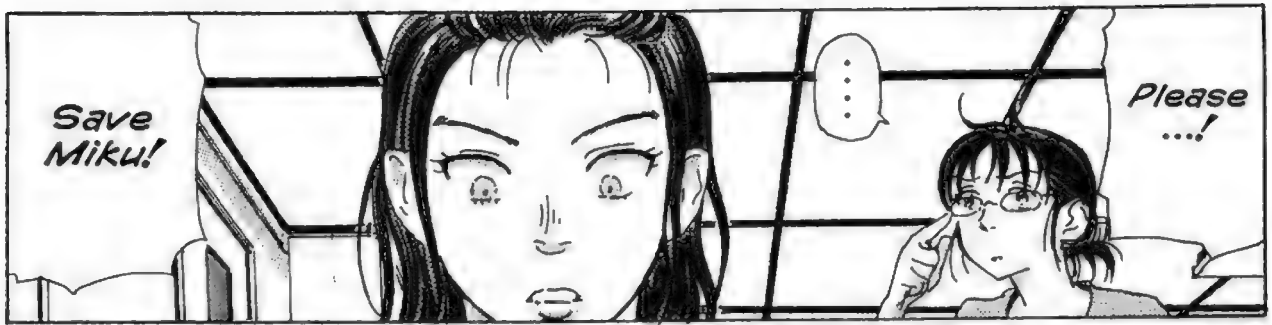
She
must have
gone...















Were you waiting for us?

Oh, my!



!



Hurry!

The race course's this way!



Is the pain gone?

How's your leg?



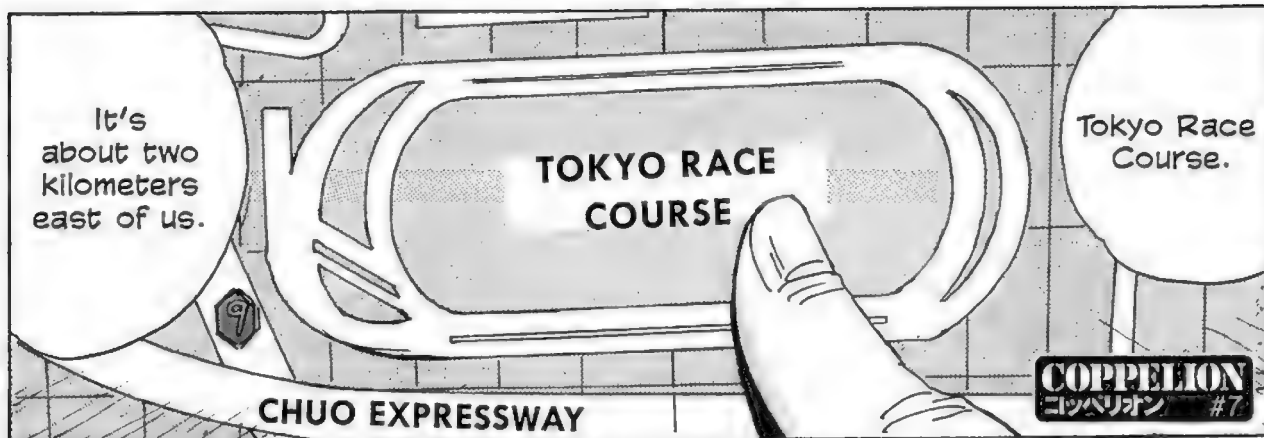
Guess we'll take him on the hunt, too.



We're moving out to find the kid!



HQ...
This is Coppellion!

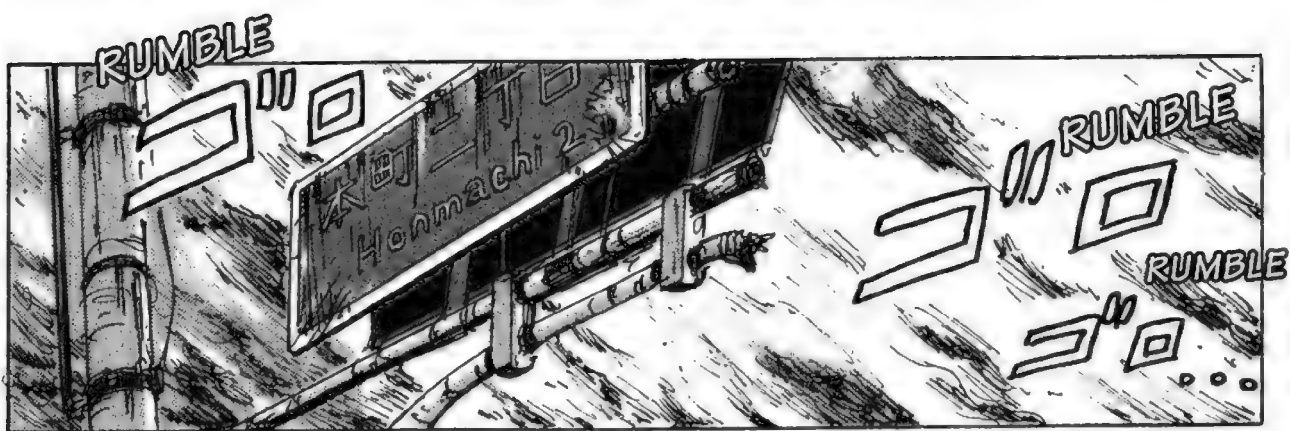




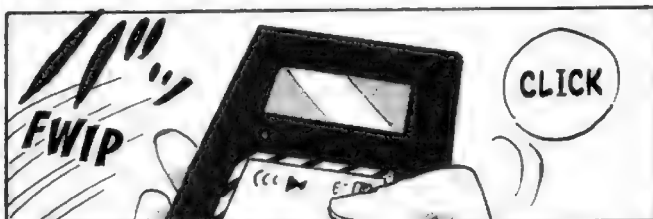
This is
Coppelion!



We're moving
out to find
the kid!



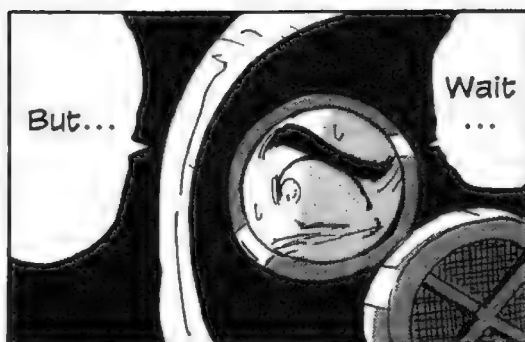






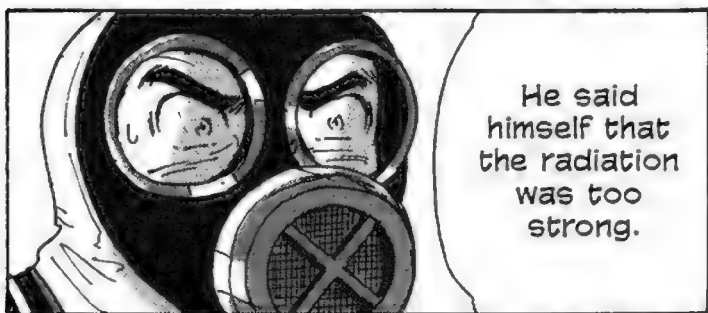
But he still got acute radiation poisoning once the radiation went over one sievert...

The survivor we found yesterday was wearing the same kind of hazmat suit as you...



But...

Wait ...



He said himself that the radiation was too strong.



But my daughter's in there!



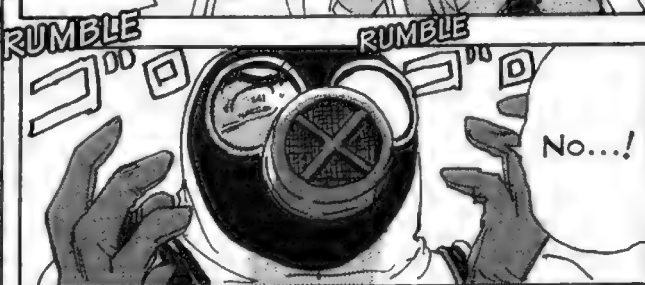
Miku ...!



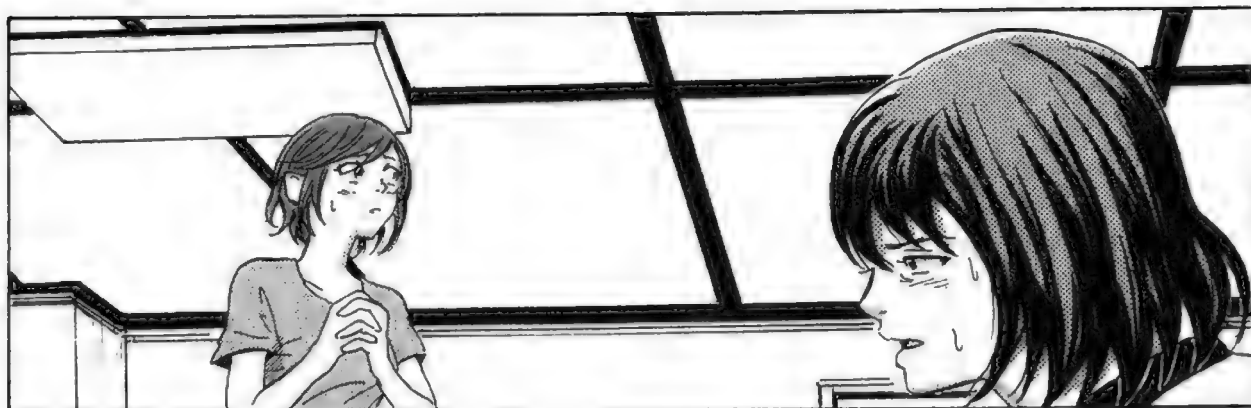
Let's go, Taeko!

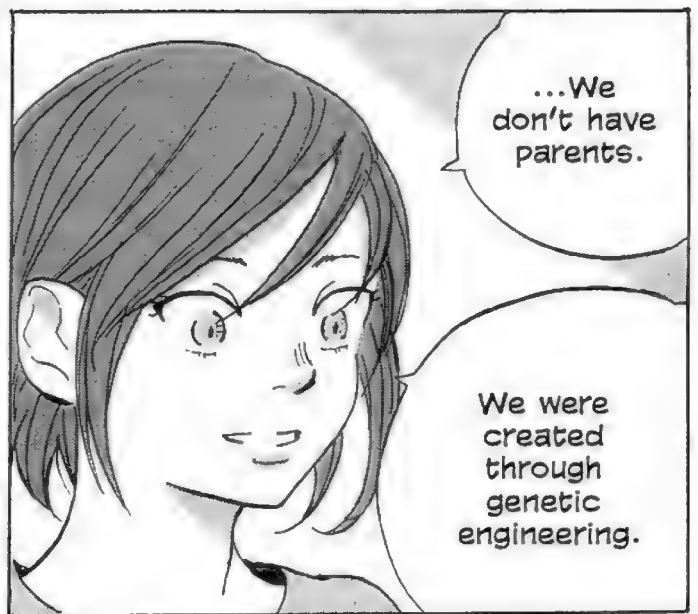
It's too dangerous for you, Mr. Kawabata! Go back and wait!

Yes ...!



No...!

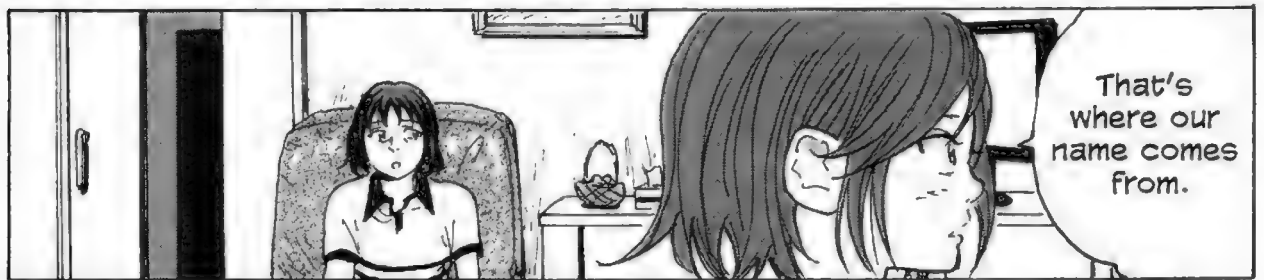






...is actually
a *doll*
the doctor
made.

But
Coppelia...

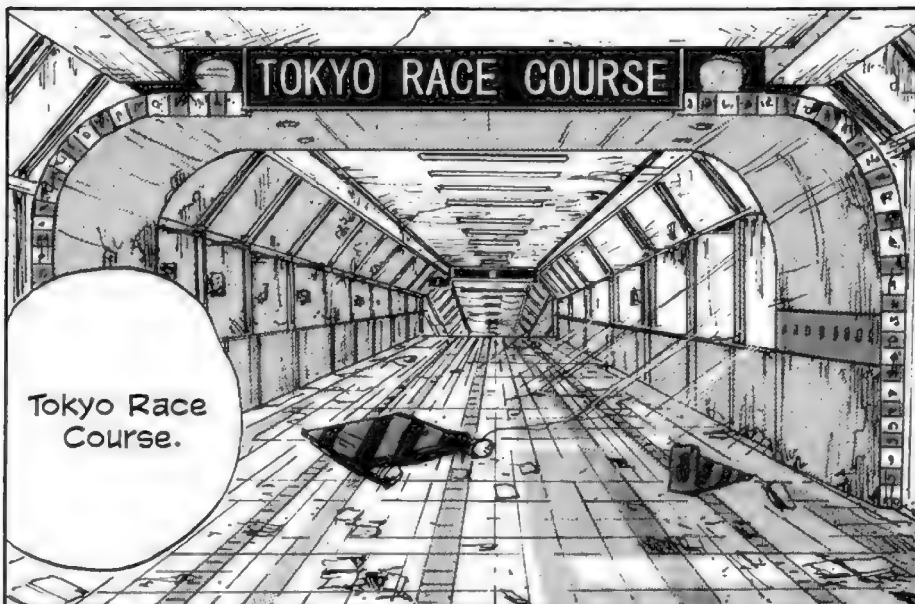


That's
where our
name comes
from.



We're
living
dolls...

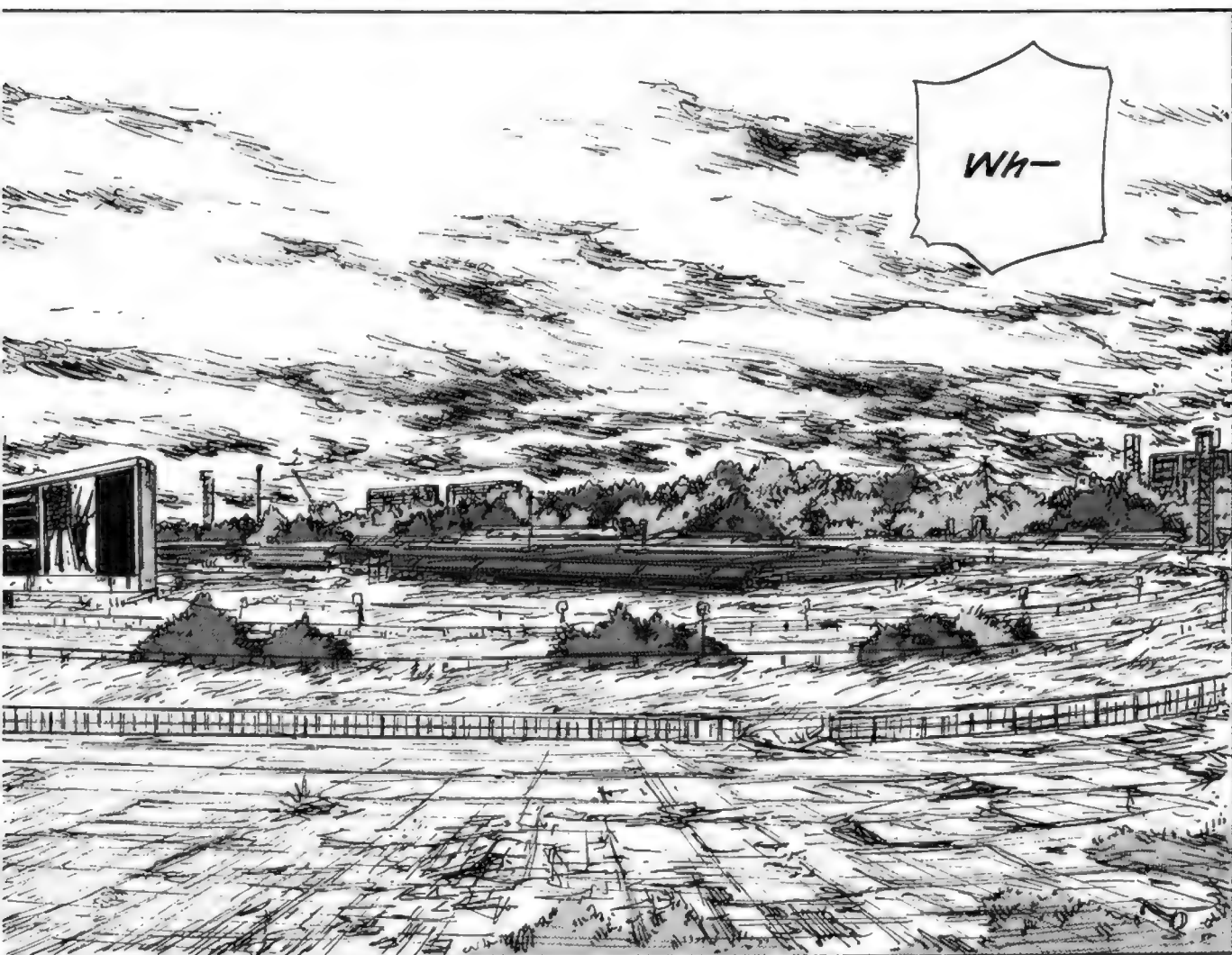
Coppelia...



Tokyo Race
Course.

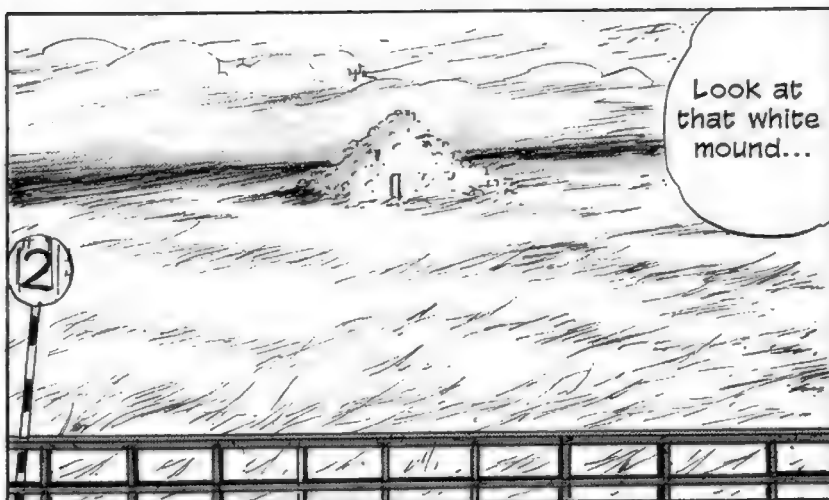


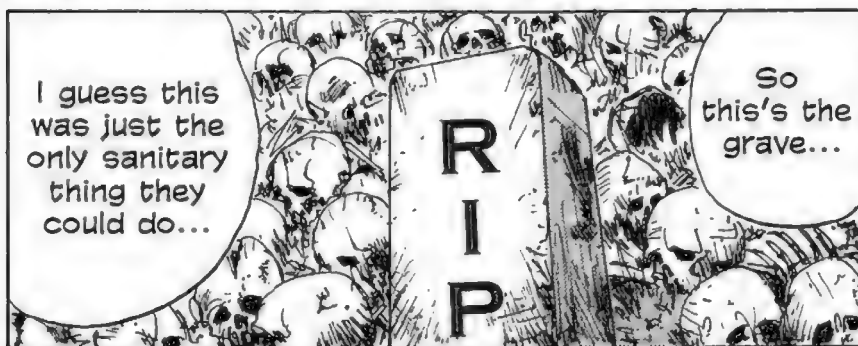
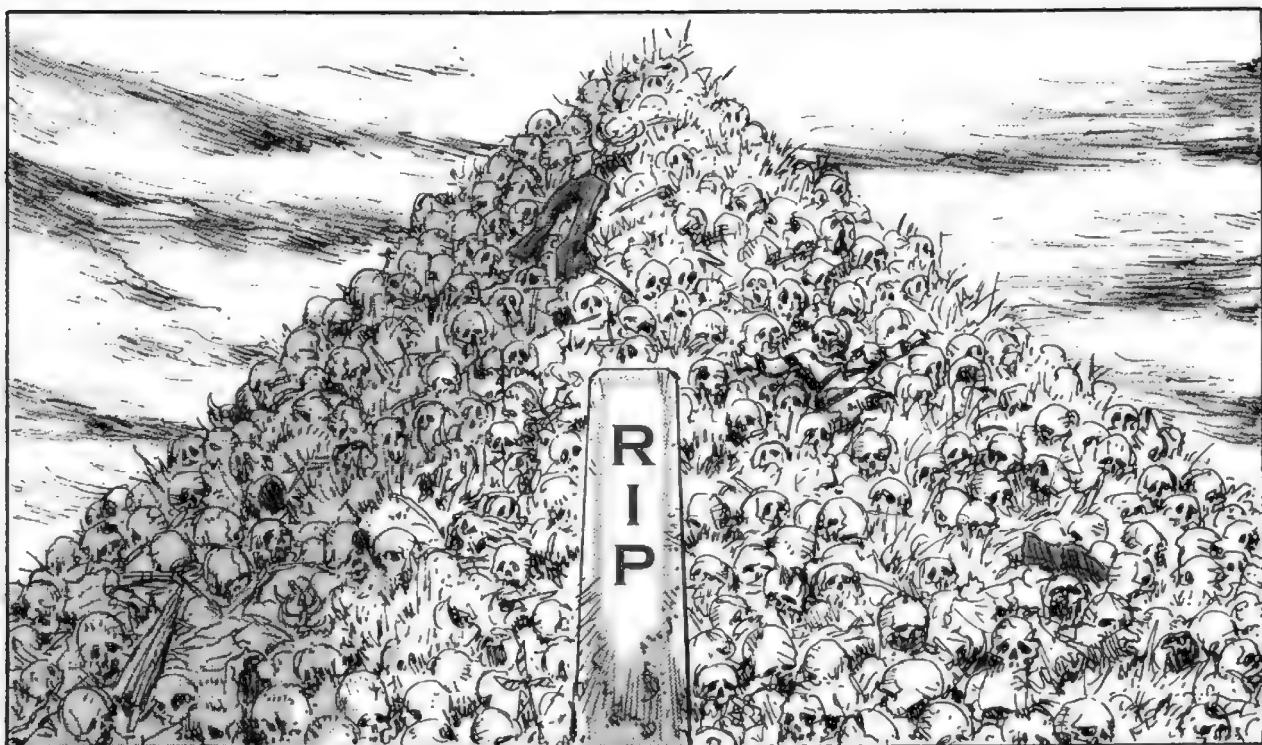
Here
it is...







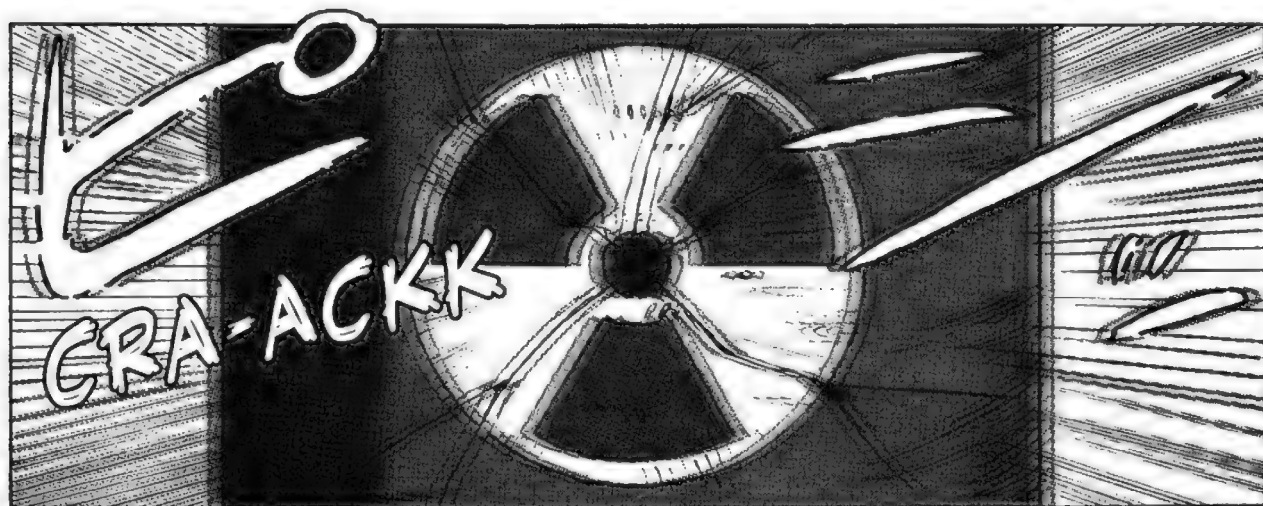
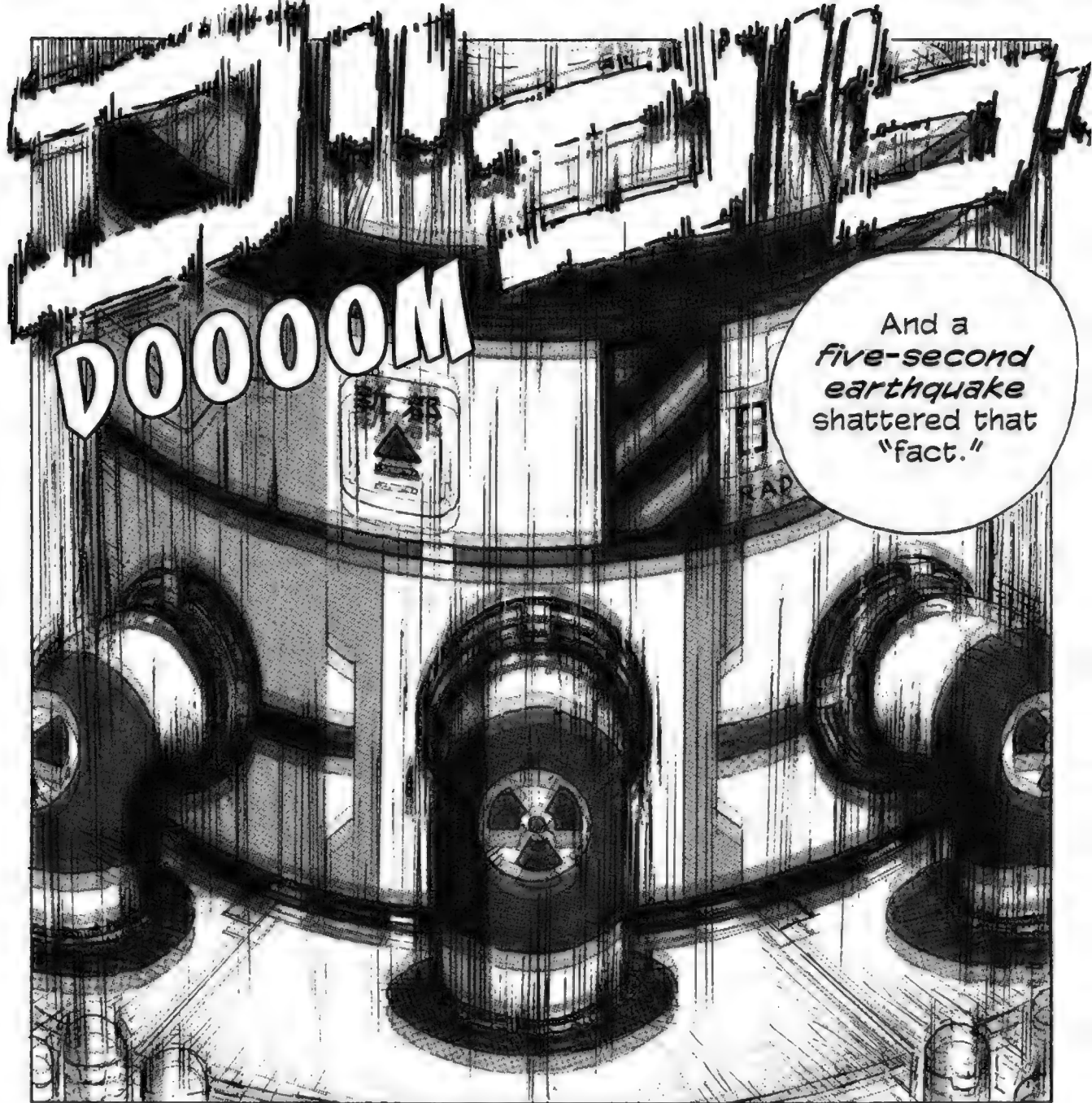














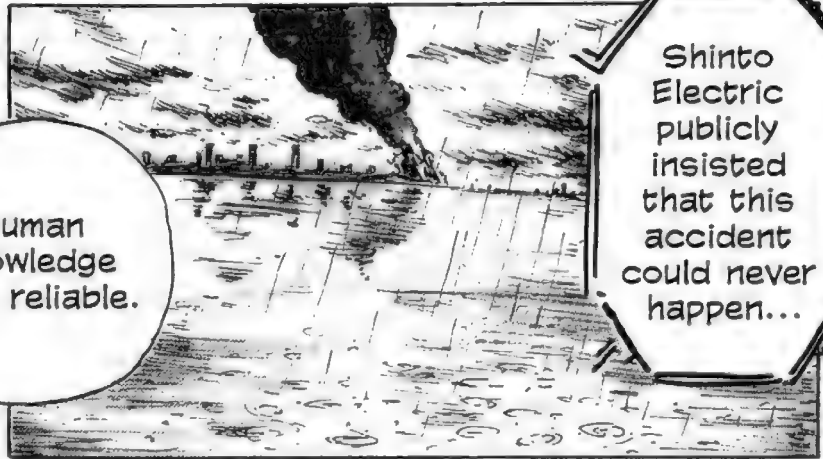
This just in...
the earthquake
has cracked the
nuclear reactor's
emergency core
cooling system!

Oh, no!
What a
terrible
sight!

ROOOAARRR



Human
knowledge
isn't reliable.



Shinto
Electric
publicly
insisted
that this
accident
could never
happen...



All we can
trust in...
is our own
bodies.



When Strontium-90 enters the body, it builds up in bones and teeth, like calcium.

So even with those special suits... if a normal human were exposed to this much radiation...!

...there must be a ton of beta particles here.

So with this many bones...

We have to find Miku!

Right. They'd get radiation poisoning... and die.

RUMBLE RUMBLE...

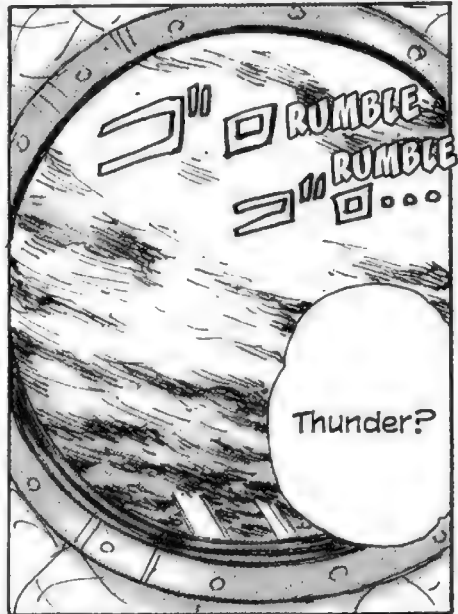




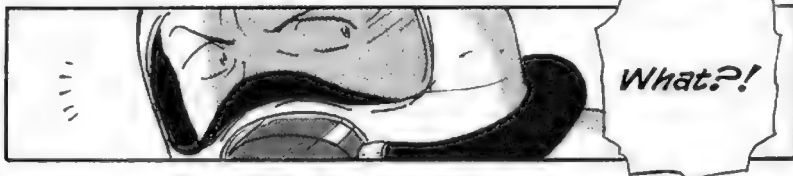
This job
is bad
enough as
it is...

Crap
...

And now
even the
weather's
got it out
for us?



Thunder?



What?!



We're on
course
for Fuchu
now.

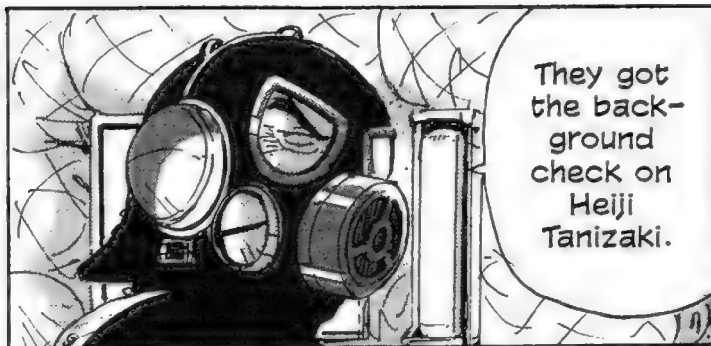
...I see.
Keep
looking
into it.



Some-
thing
happen,
vp?



Are you
sure?







I really believed that.

I thought I could just make another when I wanted...



ゴシ
RUB

RUB
ゴシ

Haha ...



I thought of my baby as just a doll.

I thought ...



God made this hell for monstrous people like me.

This is my punishment ...



I want to keep her safe, by my own power...

Miku...



...envious...

I'm kinda...



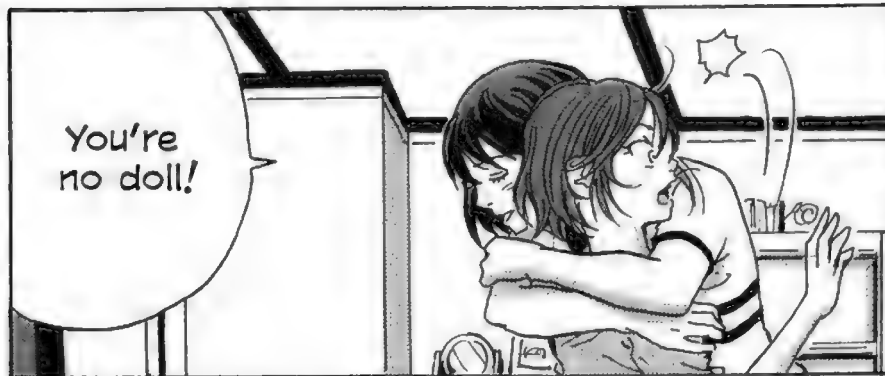
I know that.

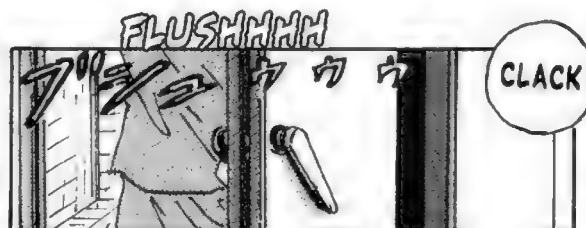
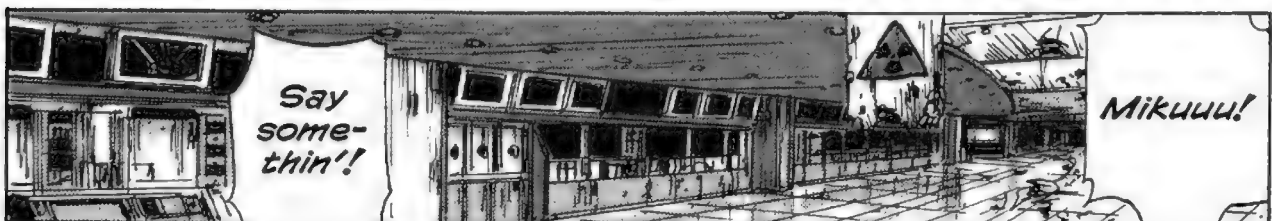
I don't *deserve* to be a mother...

PLIP

PLIP

But...





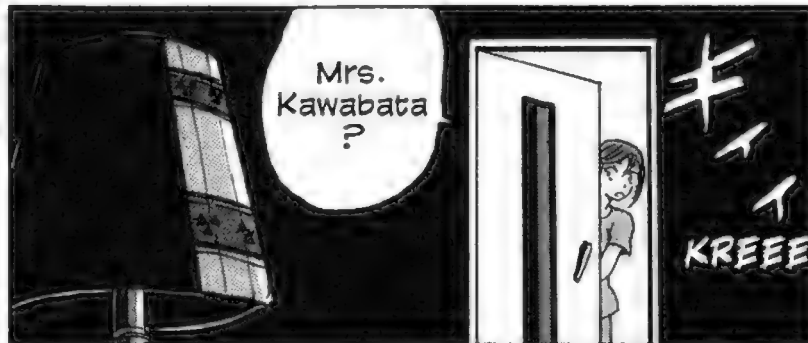


She's gone...



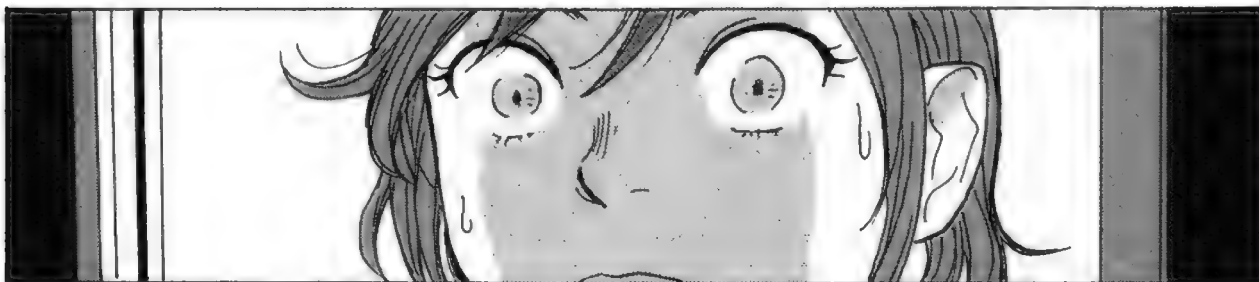
Where are you?

Ma'am?



Mrs. Kawabata?

KREEE

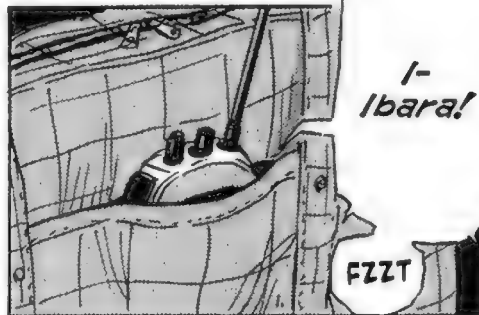


She's gone?!



I went to the bathroom, and, and she just disappeared!

Mrs. Kawabata's gone!



I-Ibara!

FZZT



Aoi?! What's wrong?

PSSH



She was the one who said we should look here...



...she might have gone to look for Miku...

I think ...



Wait a sec...



Maybe she...

Miku isn't actually her kid.



What are you suggesting?

Huh?



...my own baby...
An infant...

WOBBLE

WOBBLE

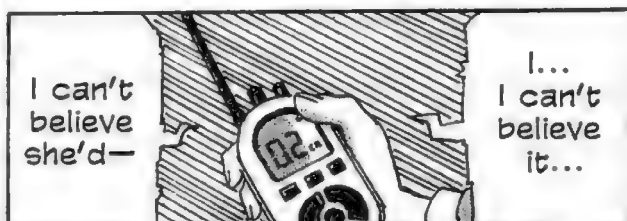


I killed...



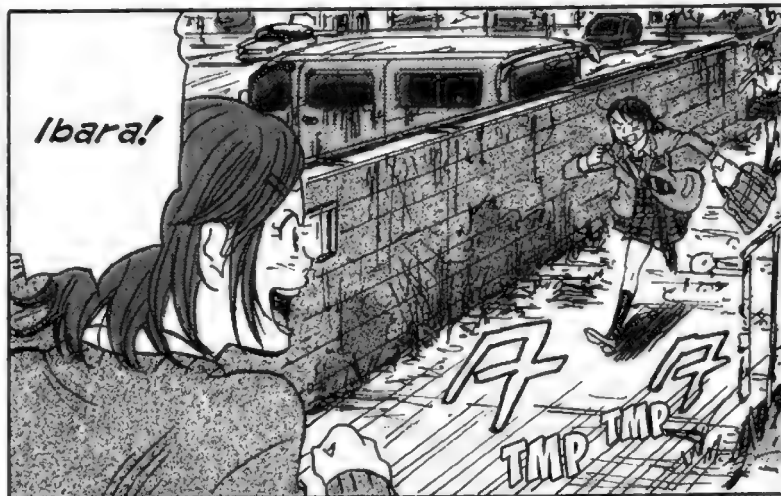
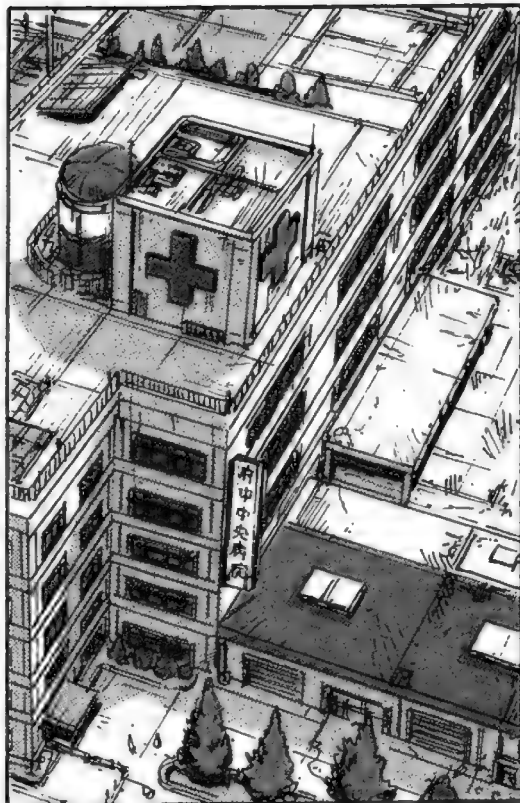
She—

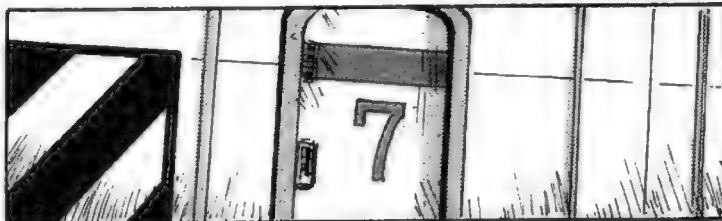
You... you don't mean...







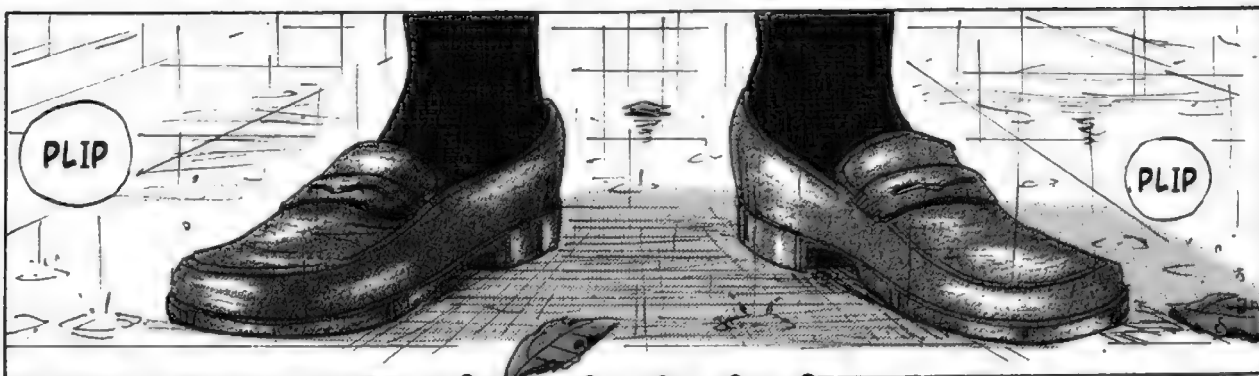














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